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SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS

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JACK HOLT, JR.
CHIEF JUSTICE

Fellow Arkansans:

This annual report is provided for your information, and the use of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Branches of your government. The statistical information contained in this report is available to assist your state policymakers in their efforts to wisely allocate state resources within the Judicial Branch.

In addition, the preliminary pages of this document relate significant progress which has occurred during the past fiscal year. Allow me to encourage your review of those major developments.

I continue to applaud the efforts of all employees of your Judicial Branch of government as they strive to provide a judicial system that is increasingly efficient. However, I am also persuaded that we have not lost sight of our principle responsibility, which is to provide a system that is fair to all citizens of Arkansas.

As always, my thanks to the many trial judges and clerks throughout the state whose assistance is instrumental in the preparation of this report. The Judicial Department is to be commended for its work in compiling and publishing this material.

Jack Holt, Jr.
Chief Justice

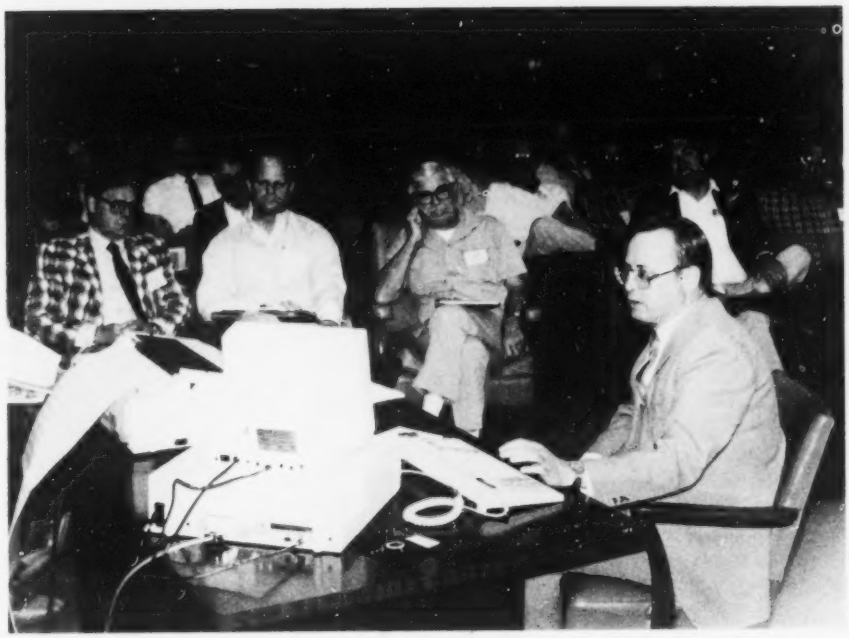
MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS
FISCAL YEAR 1985-86

USE OF COMPUTERS

During the past year, the Judicial Department was fortunate to acquire a federal grant of slightly less than $30,000. This grant, under the Justice Assistance Act, is for the development of a Circuit Court Criminal Case Management System. Pursuant to the grant requirements, members of the Systems Branch of the Judicial Department will develop criminal caseload management software. In turn, the federal grant monies will be used to acquire hardware.

Through this program, at least twelve circuit judges who exercise criminal jurisdiction, representing approximately thirty counties, will, for the first time, have immediate access to the status of their criminal docket. With this information at hand, a circuit judge can actively "manage" his caseload and thereby reduce delay in the prosecution of criminal cases.

At the same time, the Judicial Department Systems Branch is developing software for chancery court, probate court, and the civil portion of circuit court. The Judicial Department will make this software available, at no cost, to jurisdictions which acquire the appropriate hardware. At this writing, numerous circuit judges and chancellors have expressed an interest in this new program. As will be the case in the management of the criminal court caseload, the use of computers will allow court personnel to more closely monitor the progress of cases within their court.



Jack Marks, Systems Analyst of the Judicial Department, demonstrates recently developed software to Chancellors at the spring meeting of the Judicial Council.

Haley Schnell, Administrative Assistant to Chief Justice Jack Holt, Jr., enters information into the Supreme Court's new computer system.

The Arkansas Supreme Court, with the assistance of the Legislature, has acquired a computer. The hardware is a CPT Office Dialogue System. The system will allow each justice, and his clerks, to search for key words, phrases, or headnotes which have been associated with the subject matter of the particular opinion which the Court might be considering. This system will also automatically find and list all opinions relevant to the opinion under deliberation.

In addition, this system also has available word processing capability. Of particular importance, the system

will allow the initial opinion drafts to be placed in the word processing unit, and electronically distributed among the justices. Upon approval of the final opinion, the CPT System will enable the Reporter of Decisions to electronically transmit the opinions for official publication. Also, through this system, the publication of opinions by the publisher will be greatly expedited.

During the present fiscal year, the Court has access to funds for the purchase of additional equipment. Those funds will be available to expand the existing system to others in the Justice Building. This appropriation should also allow the purchase of peripheral equipment as is necessary to fully realize the benefits of this system.

CHILD SUPPORT LEGISLATION

At the behest of the federal government, the 1985 General Assembly enacted legislation that significantly altered procedures in connection with child support orders entered in both chancery court and county court. The 1985 Acts, and subsequent amendments, were targeted in two directions, enforcement, and processing time.

Wage Withholding and Income Tax Refund Intercept Programs were authorized. If a spouse fails to pay child support as required by court order, these devices will provide the court with two alternatives to enforce its order. First, by action directed against the employer of the spouse, a portion of that spouse's income may automatically be withheld and paid to the Registry of Court for distribution to the custodial parent. Second, in the event the spouse who has failed to pay child support is entitled to an income tax refund, this new legislation will enable the court to attach that refund for payment to the custodial parent.

The circuit clerks, and county clerks, across the state, in cooperation with representatives of the Legislature, continue to work to accomplish full implementation of these laudable programs. At this time, additional legislation is under consideration to further refine procedures.

The second area which the legislation addresses is the processing time for litigation in which determination or enforcement of child support is involved. Specifically, such litigation must be resolved as follows: 90% within three months; 98% within six months; and 100% within one year. It is significant to note that these time standards relate only to a limited number of cases, those being cases prosecuted under Section IV-D of the Child Support Enforcement Amendments of 1984.

To this end, the legislation requires the chancellor, or county judge, to appoint a master to hear such cases in the event the mandated time frames are not being met. In chancery courts, the Judicial Department will monitor these particular proceedings, based upon information provided by the Arkansas Department of Human Services.

Due to the lack of information on processing time in such cases, it is anticipated some delay in meeting the federal standards will be authorized. The Judicial Department, in cooperation with the Department of Human Services, is striving to develop adequate data to measure the time involved in processing these cases in chancery court.

TRIAL PRACTICE COMMITTEES

In 1984, the long-range planning conference of the Arkansas Bar Association recommended the establishment of Trial Practice Committees. This recommendation was joined by a vote of the Arkansas Judicial Council that same year.

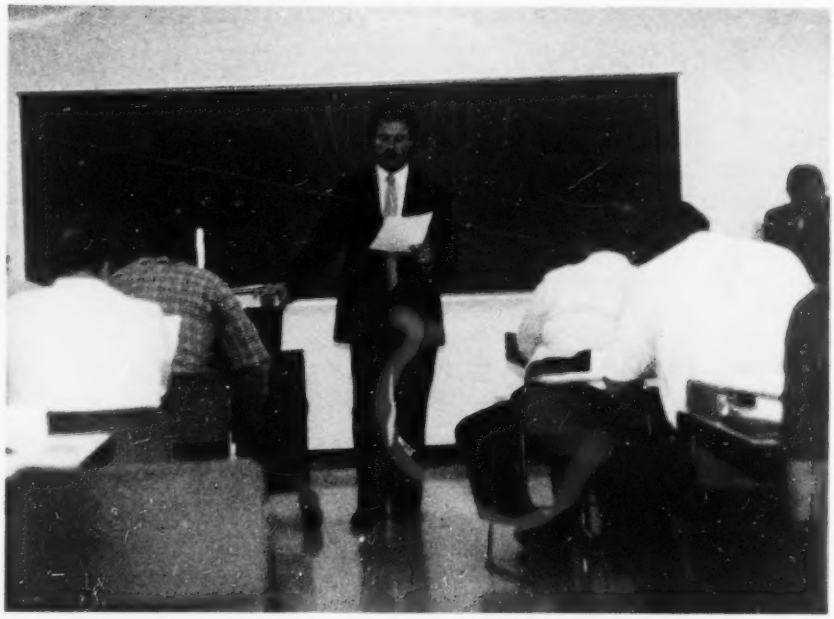
The purpose of these committees is to study, on a regional basis, the practice and procedures of the state courts. Additionally, these committees will provide an excellent device for continuing legal education. Finally, the committees will be available to recommend to the judiciary steps that might be taken to improve the administration of justice.

A District Trial Practice Committee exists in each of the six Court of Appeals districts. The President of the Arkansas Judicial Council appoints three trial judges within each district to act as co-chairmen. There is also a state level committee appointed by the President of the Arkansas Bar Association.

At this writing, Trial Practice Committees have been formed, and have met, in each of the districts. It is very early in the life of this innovative program. However, the administration of justice has already benefited from their organization. For example, the Supreme Court Committee on Civil Rules received the benefit of comments from local Trial Practice Committees during their consideration of changes in the Civil Rules of Pleading. Additionally, seminars held by these various committees have been well attended. Comments from participants have been quite favorable, emphasizing the value received from instruction by local lawyers and judges on subjects of interest to the attendees.

JUDICIAL EDUCATION

Events of the past fiscal year confirm the continuing high level of interest in this subject. The Supreme Court, through its "new" line item appropriation for judicial education, underwrote the cost of the spring Judicial Council meeting, and the joint meeting of municipal judges and clerks in late May. This financial assistance was particularly beneficial to the municipal judges and clerks in that it allowed those individuals to receive reimbursement for their attendance. That, along with the important issues surrounding the potential enactment of Amendment 64 led to record attendance. This aid from the Supreme Court was also helpful in that it allowed the Judicial Department to reallocate a small portion of its judicial education appropriation for other programs.



Inspector Jim Sullivan of the U.S. Marshal's Service lectures court bailiffs at a week-long spring seminar.

In cooperation with the United States Marshal's Service, the Judicial Department was able to offer staff and financial assistance to conduct a bailiff's court security seminar. The program, which lasted a week, was attended by bailiffs from across the state, and representatives from the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy. Also, the Judicial Department was able to organize, and support financially, a seminar for the benefit of case coordinators. It is anticipated that both of these "new" programs will become annual events.

The Judicial Education Coordinator for the Judicial Department also has initiated two innovative programs in connection with education of newly elected judges. The "Mentor" program is modeled after successful similar activities in other states. The idea is to pair a newly elected judge with an experienced judge. In that fashion, a relationship is allowed to develop whereby the judge-elect has access to someone "who has been there before." At this writing, all judges whose election has been concluded are participating in the program.

Another program which is being developed is a new judge orientation program scheduled for November of 1986. The content of this program should assist judges-elect in dealing with the practical difficulties encountered when one assumes the bench. The program will also include discussion by seasoned judges on other problems that might be faced by a new judge.

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

As previously mentioned, the use of computers in the Supreme Court, and general jurisdiction courts, offers evidence of progressive steps in computerization to aid in records management. Nonetheless, our judicial system will continue to require the generation and processing of vast amounts of "paper." In one such area, commitment orders for defendants sentenced to the Department of Corrections or jail, the paper process has been improved by the development of a uniform commitment form.

The Governor's Task Force on Crime, in its report to the 1985 General Assembly, recommended the development of such a form. Subsequently, by way of Act 975 of 1985, the development and use of a uniform commitment form was mandated. As a result of that statutory requirement, representatives of the Governor's Office, the Department of Corrections, Prosecutor Coordinators's Office, Circuit Clerks, and the Judicial Council met and developed the required form.

There are, of course, limitations on the degree of uniformity which can be applied in the judicial process. However, the development of the uniform commitment form is indicative of progress that can be made in this regard. The form will contribute greatly to the clarity of sentencing of defendants. Sufficient copies of the multi-part form have been printed by the Department of Corrections at no cost, and dis-

tributed to the circuit judges of the state by the Judicial Department.

FILING RATES DECLINE

Filings in the circuit, chancery, and probate courts of Arkansas have, for the past several years, been increasing at a substantial rate. Indeed, during the last fiscal year (1984-85) civil filings in circuit court increased 16.5%, criminal filings in circuit court increased 10.1%, and filings in chancery and probate court increased 4.5%. Together, these increases represented a 9.3% addition to the general jurisdiction caseload.

During fiscal year 1985-86, this rate of increase has slowed noticeably, especially in criminal filings in circuit court. Those filings declined by slightly over 4% state-wide. Although civil filings in circuit court continued to increase, the rate of increase, 6.3%, is significantly less than occurred last fiscal year. Chancery and probate filings also increased, but at a lower rate.

The decrease of filings in the criminal caseload of circuit courts is consistent with the national experience. The relatively modest increase in civil filings in circuit court is probably indicative of the slower pace of the Arkansas economy.

SUPREME COURT COMMITTEES

The Supreme Court, by way of per curiam orders, has, over the years, created committees to investigate particular areas of concern to the judiciary. Presently, the Court has 13 active committees.

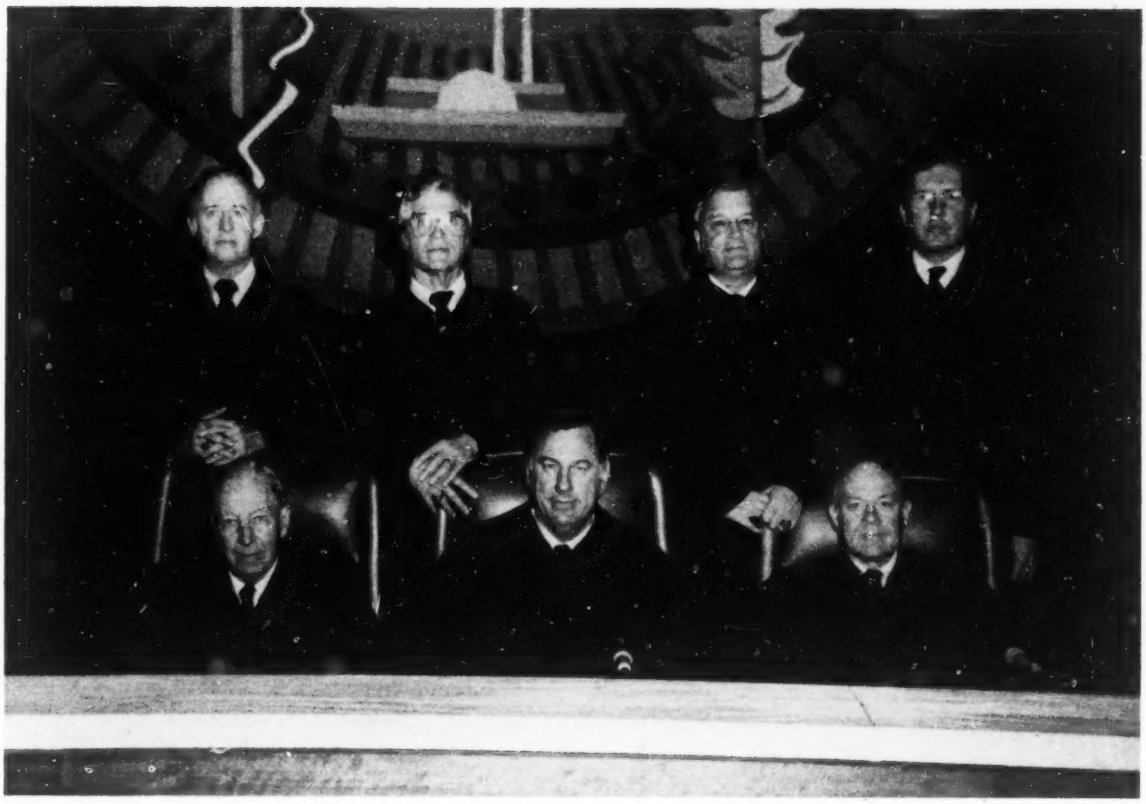
During fiscal year 1985-86, the Court received an appropriation for reimbursement of expenses for certain committees. At this time, those reimbursable expenses are available to the members of the Criminal and Civil Rules of Pleading Committees. The availability of these funds to defray expenses of attendance has encouraged membership attendance and allowed both committees to meet on a regular basis. The result has been, at least insofar as these two committees are concerned, to assist the Court in responding to current issues, such as speedy trial requirements in criminal cases.

During the 1987 General Assembly, the Supreme Court will seek authority to reimburse other committees from this appropriation.

Supreme Court Committees were appropriated funds for reimbursement of expenses. The committee pictured is the Committee on Criminal Procedure.

THE COURTS

APPELLATE COURTS



Bottom row (left to right): Justice George Rose Smith, Chief Justice Jack Holt, Jr. and Justice Darrell Hickman. Top row (left to right): Justice Steele Hays, Justice John Purtle, Justice Robert Dudley and Justice David Newbern.

SUPREME COURT

Arkansas' highest appellate court is the Supreme Court, comprised of the Chief Justice and six Associate Justices.

The Constitution of 1874 sets forth the powers and jurisdiction of the Court and establishes in it "general superintending control over all inferior courts of law and equity..."

The members of the Court are elected to staggered eight year terms by the voters of the State. The Governor fills any vacancies on the Court by appointment. When necessary, a special justice is appointed by the Governor in cases where a member of the Court recuses, and it is decided that the participation of a special justice would be required for the Court to render a decision. Special justices who served during 1985-1986 were: John H. Lile, Don H. Smith, Herbert C. Rule, III, Kelvin Wyrick, Zimmery Crutcher, Jr., Rice Van Ausdall, Robert Branch, J. Michael Shaw, Eugene Hunt, Ronald A. May, Comer Boyett, Jr., Josephine L. Hart, Dennis L. Shackleford, Robert F. Morehead, James M. McHaney, Sr., Kathryn Graves, Louis B. Jones, Jr., Robert G. Serio, Mitchell D. Moore, B.J. McCoy, Sidney P. Davis, Jr., and Georgia Elrod.

Justice George Rose Smith, who has served on the Supreme Court since 1949, announced his retirement effective December 31, 1986. At the time of his retirement, Justice Smith will have served longer than any previous member of the Court.

The workload of the Court is measured in terms of appeals, petitions, and motions, (excluding those for time extension) of which final disposition is made during the fiscal year. Another measurement of workload is by total majority opinions computed as a per-justice average.

Appeals filed in the Supreme Court totaled 411 for the 1985-86 fiscal year, a decrease of 6.4% from the previous fiscal year. Appeals term-

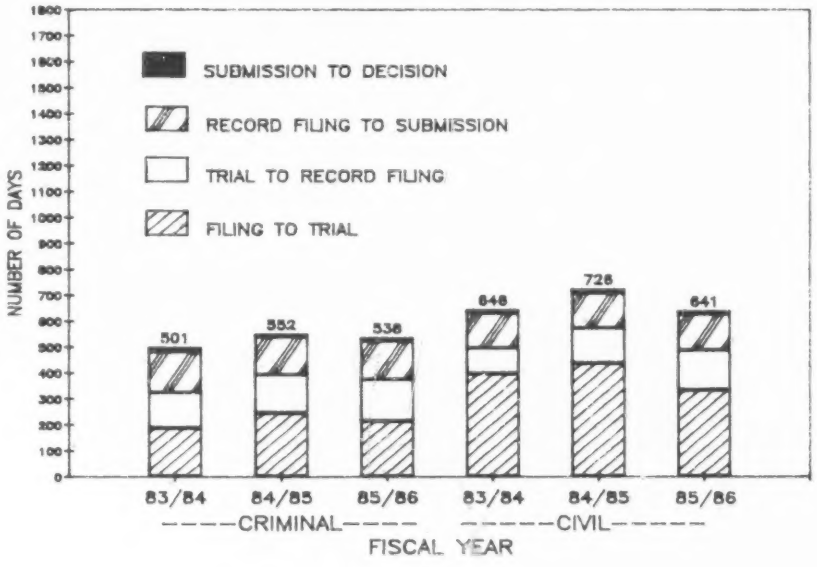
inated during the fiscal year totaled 404, a decrease of 10.4% from the 1984-85 fiscal year. Petitions filed for the same time period numbered 376, an increase of 25.3% from the previous fiscal period. Petitions terminated during the fiscal year totaled 386, an increase of 32.2% from the previous fiscal year.

There were 164 appeals and 26 petitions pending at the end of fiscal year 1985-86. The 164 appeals pending represent a 4.5% increase from the previous reporting period.

Supreme Court Time Study

For the 1985-1986 fiscal year a total of 89 criminal cases were surveyed. Fourteen of these were decided after oral arguments. For these cases, it took an average of 595 days to process each case from filing in lower court through appeal. Of the 75 cases surveyed without oral arguments, an average of 538 days elapsed from filing in circuit court to decision by the Supreme Court.

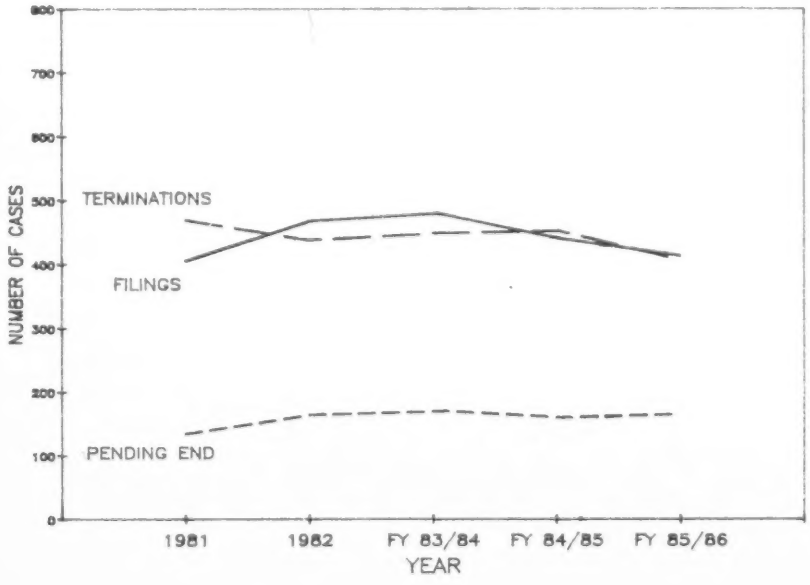
SUPREME COURT
TIME STUDY
THREE YEAR COMPARISON



A total of 137 civil cases were surveyed for the 1985-86 fiscal year. Forty-eight of these were decided after oral arguments. For these cases, it took an average of 834 days to process each case from filing through appeal. Of the 89 cases surveyed without oral arguments, an average of 641 days elapsed from filing to decision by the Supreme Court.

It is important to note that, on the average, approximately 72% of the time taken to process each case being appealed is spent in the lower trial court. The remaining 28% is the time that each case spends in either the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals.

SUPREME COURT
CASELOAD ACTIVITY
1981 – FY 85/86



Bottom row (left to right): Judge Don Corbin, Chief Judge George Cracraft, and Judge Melvin Mayfield. Top row (left to right): Judge Jim Cooper, Judge Tom Glaze and Judge Lawson Cloninger.

COURT OF APPEALS

Amendment 58 authorized the General Assembly to establish an intermediate appellate court known as the Court of Appeals. This intermediate appellate court has helped to alleviate the tremendous caseload which burdened the Supreme Court during the early and mid-1970's.

The Court of Appeals is composed of a Chief Judge and five Associate Judges. The six judges are elected for staggered eight year terms from six geographical districts. Chief Judge George Cracraft was appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court for a term of four years subject to reappointment. The Court is divided into two panels of three judges each and any decision rendered by a panel is final, unless a single judge dissents, whereby the case is decided "en banc" by all six judges.

The Court of Appeals is authorized to correct errors in cases on appeal from the same trial courts which may appeal to the Supreme Court. Judgments of the Court of Appeals may be appealed to the Supreme Court when any one of three circumstances exists: the case was erroneously filed in the Court of Appeals; a case filed in the Court of Appeals is believed to be of paramount public interest and is "certified" to the Supreme Court; or the case was decided on a tie vote in the Court of Appeals.

Judge Lawson Cloninger, who has served on the Court of Appeals since 1981, announced his retirement effective December 31, 1986.

One special judge, Ernest L. Wright, Jr., was appointed to serve during the 1985-86 fiscal year.

The workload of the Court of Appeals is measured in the same way as that of the Supreme Court.

Appeals filed in the Court of Appeals totaled 951, an increase of 12.4% from the previous fiscal year. Appeal terminations for the 1985-86 fiscal year were 840, a decrease of 6.1% over the previous fiscal year. Seventy-six petitions were filed in the 1985-86 fiscal year, showing a decrease of 38.2% over the previous reporting period. Petition terminations for the 1985-86 fiscal year decreased by 20.2% from 109 to 87. There were

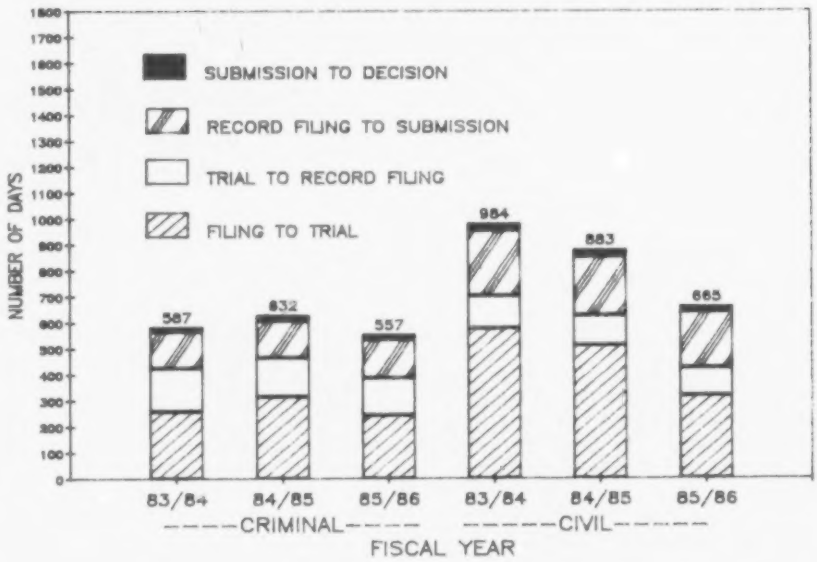
460 appeals and 11 petitions pending at the end of fiscal year 1985-86. The 460 appeals pending represent a 31.8% increase from the previous fiscal year.

Court of Appeals Time Study

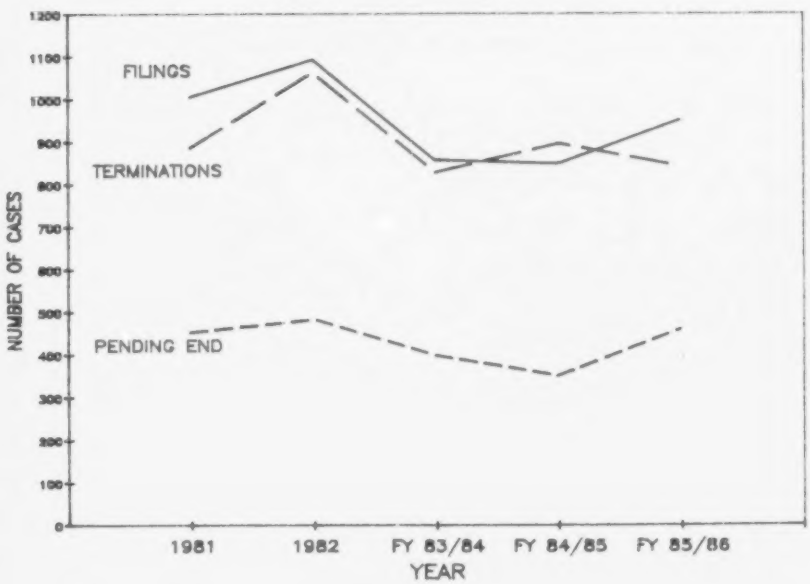
For the 1985-86 fiscal year a total of 173 criminal cases were surveyed. Six of these were decided after oral arguments. For these 6 cases, it took an average of 703 days to process each case from filing in lower court through appeal. Of the 167 cases surveyed without oral arguments, an average of 557 days elapsed from filing in circuit court to decision by the Court of Appeals.

A total of 321 civil cases were surveyed for the 1985-1986 fiscal year. Forty-eight of these were decided after oral arguments. For these 48 cases, it took an average of 824 days to process each case from filing in lower court through appeal. Of the 273 cases surveyed without oral arguments, an average of 665 days elapsed from filing in circuit court to decision by the Court of Appeals.

COURT OF APPEALS
TIME STUDY
THREE YEAR COMPARISON



COURT OF APPEALS
CASELOAD ACTIVITY
1981 – FY 85/86



APPELLATE COURTS SUPPORT STAFF

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS AND SUPREME COURT LIBRARY

To respond to the growing number of appeals filed and the need for more library shelf space, the Offices of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Clerk and the Supreme Court Library were renovated. The renovation included an expansion of the Clerk's Office to allow for space for additional deputies and for storage. The Supreme Court Library was expanded to encompass additional space on the mezzanine and the reading room was remodeled to accomodate the increased use of the library.

The Office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals was recently expanded to allow space for additional deputies and storage.

The Supreme Court Library was renovated to allow for additional shelf space and a larger reading room, necessary because of increased use of the library.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATOR

The Office of Criminal Justice Coordinator was created in the early 1970s to assist the Appellate Courts in preliminary review of pro se petitions and motions. The majority of the screening process is done with Rule 37 petitions, although the office responds to an average of 200 letters from prisoners each month. Sue Newbery is presently serving as the Criminal Justice Coordinator.

REPORTER OF DECISIONS

The Office of the Reporter of Decisions is an administrative function within the appellate courts. The reporters are responsible for writing the head notes for opinions published by the two appellate courts. The Supreme Court publishes all opinions. A portion of the Court of Appeals decisions are not published. The reporters are additionally responsible for supervising the printing and binding of the *Arkansas Reports*, the official publication of opinions.

Clyde Calliotte serves as Reporter of Decisions for the appellate courts.

Marlo Bush acts as Assistant Reporter of Decisions for the appellate courts.

COURTS OF GENERAL JURISDICTION

Circuit and chancery courts in Arkansas are the trial courts of general jurisdiction. The two courts have separate jurisdictions with circuit courts presided over by a circuit judge, who hears civil and criminal cases, and chancery courts presided over by a chancellor, who hears equity, divorce and child support cases and acts as the probate judge. The state is divided into 24 judicial circuits served by 32 circuit judges, 30 chancellors and 8 combined jurisdiction judges. This total includes an additional circuit judge and an additional chancellor which were appointed on July 1, 1985 in the Tenth Judicial Circuit to assist in handling the increased caseload in that circuit. At present there are three single-county circuits and the remaining circuits have from two to six counties.

In fiscal year 1985-86, 120,699 cases were filed in Arkansas' general jurisdiction courts, representing an increase of 1.63% from the previous fiscal period. The percentage of increase in the circuit and chancery courts can be broken down as follows:

Cases Filed	FY 85-86	FY 84-85	% Increase or Decrease
Civil	35,747	33,637	+ 6.27
Criminal	31,989	33,476	— 4.44
Chancery	41,826	40,509	+ 3.25
Probate	11,137	11,144	— .06
Total-all courts	120,699	118,766	+ 1.63

The courts of general jurisdiction disposed of 113,692 cases during this fiscal year, an increase of 5.32% over the previous fiscal year.

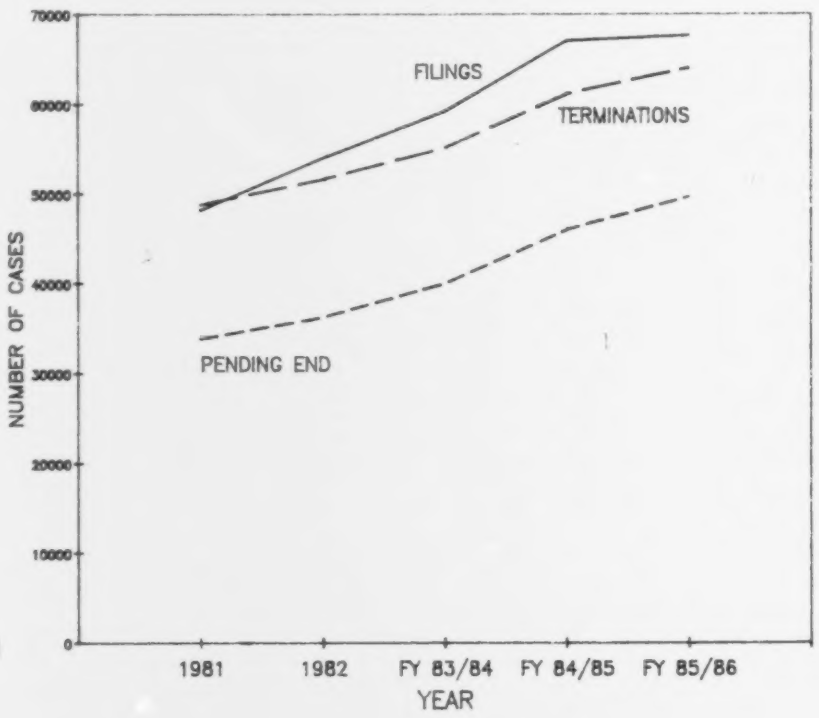
Cases Terminated	FY 85-86	FY 84-85	% Increase or Decrease
Civil	33,856	30,000	+ 12.85
Criminal	30,186	31,166	— 3.14
Chancery	41,772	40,352	+ 3.25
Probate	7,878	6,425	— 22.61
Total-all courts	113,692	107,943	+ 5.32

The disposition rate compares the number of terminations to the number of filings. The disposition rate for courts of general jurisdiction was 94.19%, an average of 1,624 terminations per judge. (See the disposition rates by circuit in the statistical section on page 53.)

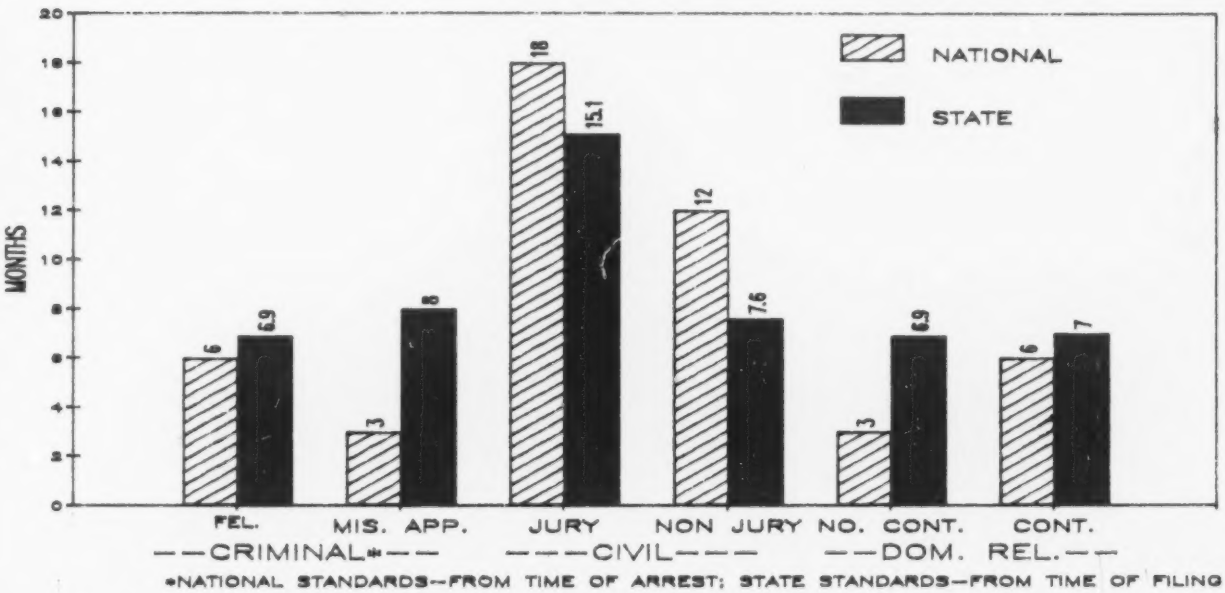
There were 86,611 cases pending in the courts of general jurisdiction at fiscal year end, representing a 8.81% increase from the previous reporting period. These cases may be broken down as follows:

Cases Pending	FY 85-86	FY 84-85	% Increase or Decrease
Civil	24,879	22,988	+ 8.23
Criminal	24,813	23,005	+ 7.86
Chancery	22,249	22,195	+ .24
Probate	14,670	11,411	+ 28.56
Total-all courts	86,611	79,599	+ 8.81

CIRCUIT COURTS
CASELOAD ACTIVITY
1981 – FY 85/86



STATE PROCESSING VS. NATIONAL STANDARDS
TIME STANDARDS AS STATED IN MONTHS
FY 85/86



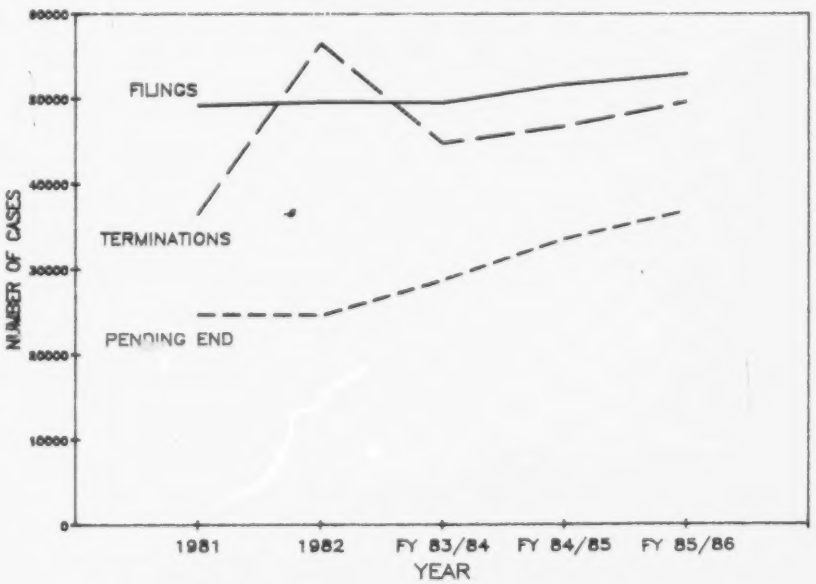
Fel. = Felony
Mis. App. = Misdemeanor appeals
No. Cont. = Not contested
Cont. = Contested
Dom. Rel. = Domestic Relations

Time Standards:

The chart above shows the relationship of Arkansas' court processing times for general jurisdiction courts to the corresponding national standard as developed by the Conference of State Court Administrators. The Arkansas times were based on fiscal year 85-86. Please remember that the figures presented here are statewide averages. Processing times vary widely by case and judicial circuit. Due to definitional variances, a comparison to the most closely related statewide category for which statistics are available has been made.

NOTE: Termination and Pending End figures before 1982 exclude probate. It should be noted when examining the graph of chancery caseload activity that the sharp decline after 1982 was created by a change in requirements for caseload reporting for the probate courts.

CHANCERY COURTS
CASELOAD ACTIVITY (Including Probate)
1981 – FY 85/86



STATEWIDE FILINGS BY CASE TYPE
FY 1985/86
CIRCUIT COURT

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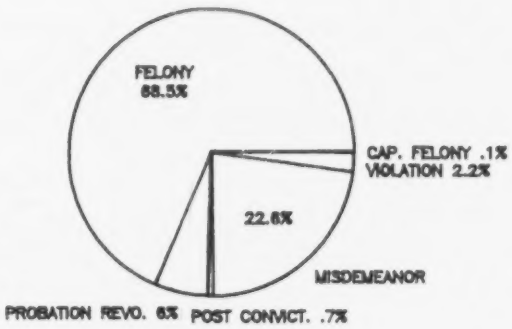
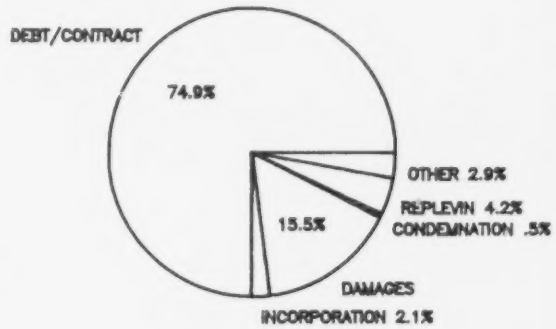


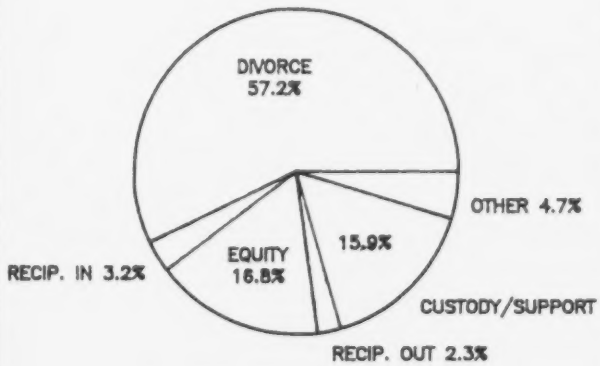
CRIMINAL CASES FILED (31,989)

CIVIL



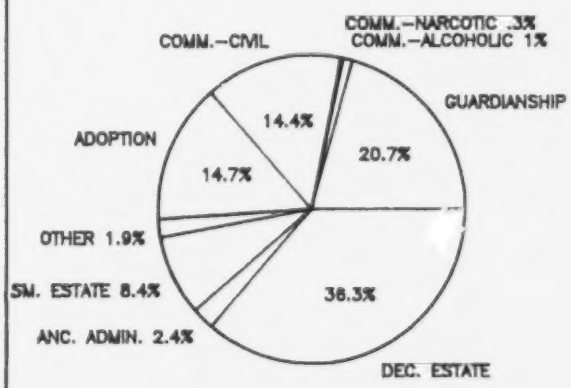
CIVIL CASES FILED (35,747)

CHANCERY COURT



CHANCERY CASES FILED (41,826)

PROBATE COURT

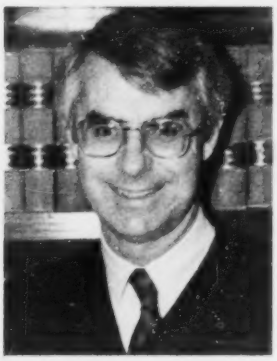


PROBATE CASES FILED (11,137)

GENERAL JURISDICTION JUDGES

OLIVER ADAMS
Chancellor
19th Circuit

HARRY F. BARNES
Circuit Judge
13th Circuit



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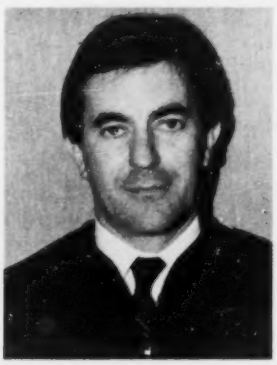

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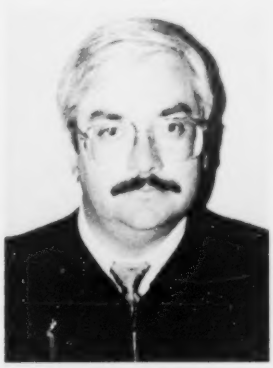

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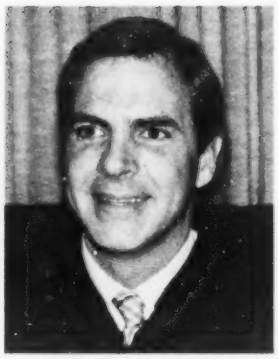

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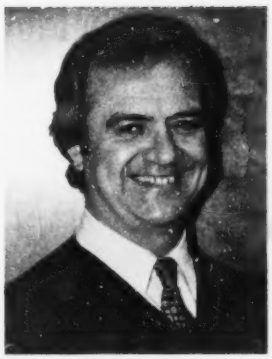

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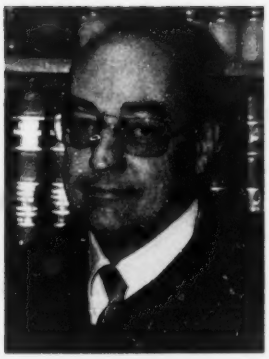

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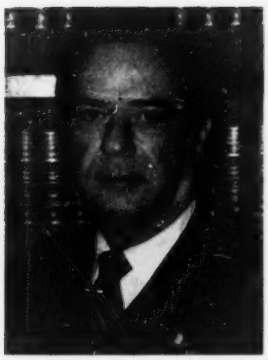

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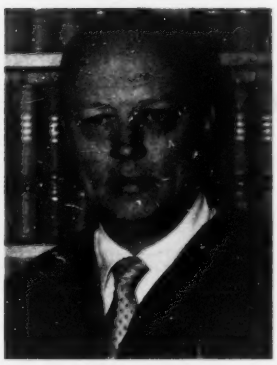

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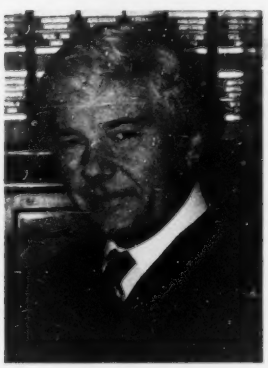

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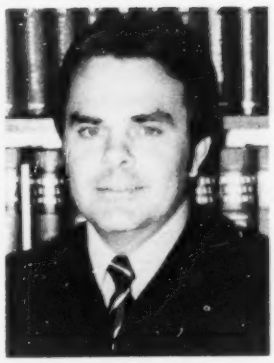

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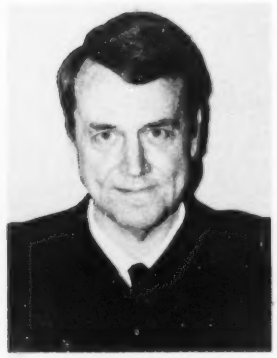

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RUSSELL ROGERS
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11th Circuit-West

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15th Circuit

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17th Circuit-East

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2nd Circuit

PERRY WHITMORE
Circuit Judge
6th Circuit

HENRY WILKINSON
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1st Circuit

RANDALL WILLIAMS
Circuit Judge
11th Circuit-West

HENRY WILSON
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2nd Circuit

WALTER WRIGHT
Circuit Judge
18th Circuit-East

HARVEY YATES
Circuit Judge
1st Circuit

HENRY YOCUM
Chancellor
13th Circuit

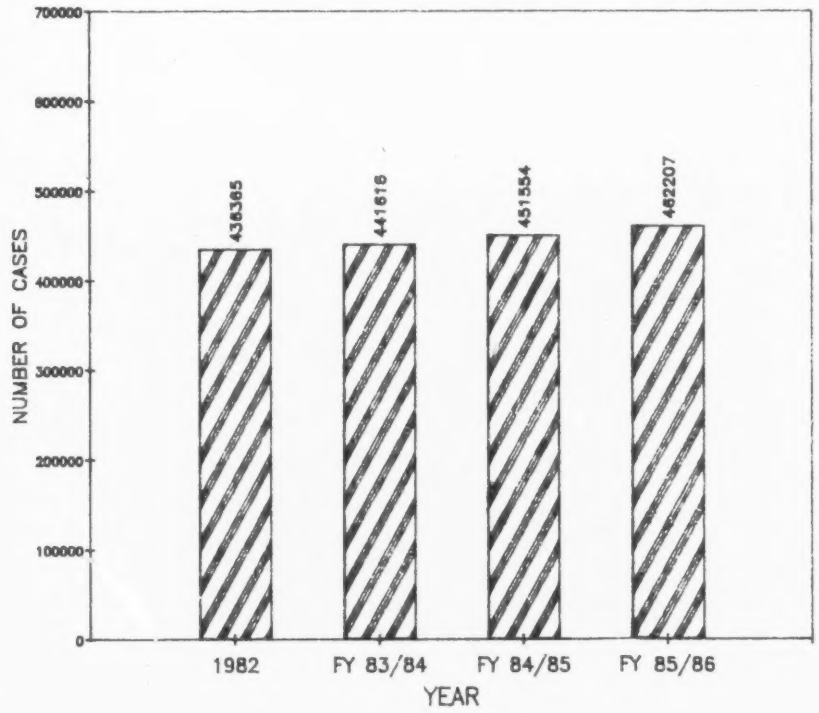
COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

The establishment of courts of limited jurisdiction is provided by the Constitution of the State of Arkansas. At the present time those courts include: municipal (corporation) courts, county courts (juvenile and paternity), courts of common pleas, city courts and police courts.

MUNICIPAL COURTS - Municipal courts in the State of Arkansas constitute the principal courts of limited jurisdiction and have county wide jurisdiction. These courts, presided over in most cases by part-time judges, handle a majority of the cases filed within the state. A municipal court can be established in one of three ways: in a "first class city" (those having a population of 2,400 or more); those cities that are the county seat; or by an act of the legislature. At present, there are 121 municipal courts in the State, presided over by 103 judges and assisted by 132 clerks. During the 1985-86 fiscal year the municipal courts of Arkansas reported 462,207 cases filed.

COUNTY COURTS - The county judge presides over the court and is also the business manager of the county. The jurisdiction and powers of the county courts include: original jurisdiction in all matters relating to county taxes, bastardy cases, paupers, apprenticeship of minors, and, in the absence of the chancellor from the county, the power to issue writs of injunction or restraining orders after an action has commenced. In the absence of the circuit judge, the county judge has the power to issue orders for injunctions.

MUNICIPAL COURT FILINGS
1982 – FY 85/86



JUVENILE COURTS - These courts were established in 1911 by the General Assembly. The court was originally presided over by the county judge, but in 1927, an act was passed to authorize the county judge to appoint a juvenile referee. In 1975, the Arkansas Juvenile Code was established to bring Arkansas' juvenile court system into conformity with U.S. Supreme Court decisions imposing constitutional due process guarantees upon state juvenile court proceedings.

COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS - These courts are presided over by county judges and are limited to civil actions in which the disputed amount does not exceed $1,000. Presently, only thirteen counties in Arkansas have courts of common pleas.

CITY COURTS - These courts, which number 97 in the state, function much the same as municipal courts with these exceptions: they are established in cities with a population of less than 2,400; only have city wide jurisdiction; and the judge is not required to be an attorney. Established city courts are presided over by 70 judges, assisted by 94 clerks. In these courts, the judge is the mayor of the city.

POLICE COURTS - The jurisdiction in these courts is similar to that of city courts but the judge is elected as a judge, not as the mayor. Arkansas has 6 existing police courts.

COURT FINANCES

The state portion of the FY 1985-86 funding for courts is $15,426,978.00. This covers only those costs that are considered a state responsibility. The state assumes salaries and expenses for circuit and chancery judges, court reporters and prosecuting attorneys. The cost of operating the Judicial Department, the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals is borne entirely by the state. This cost includes salaries and all other expenses related to the operation of their offices. The state assumes partial responsibility for funding the Adult Probation Commission. The remainder of court funding is provided by county and city government.

The funding of the courts is under review. The General Assembly created a special study commission in the 1985 Legislative Session. The Commission is to review the feasibility of the state assuming the responsibility for payment of the salaries and operating costs of the various circuit and chancery courts and their assistants, and prosecuting attorneys and their deputies. The Commission is to present its findings by October 1st so that they may be considered during the 1987 Legislative Session.

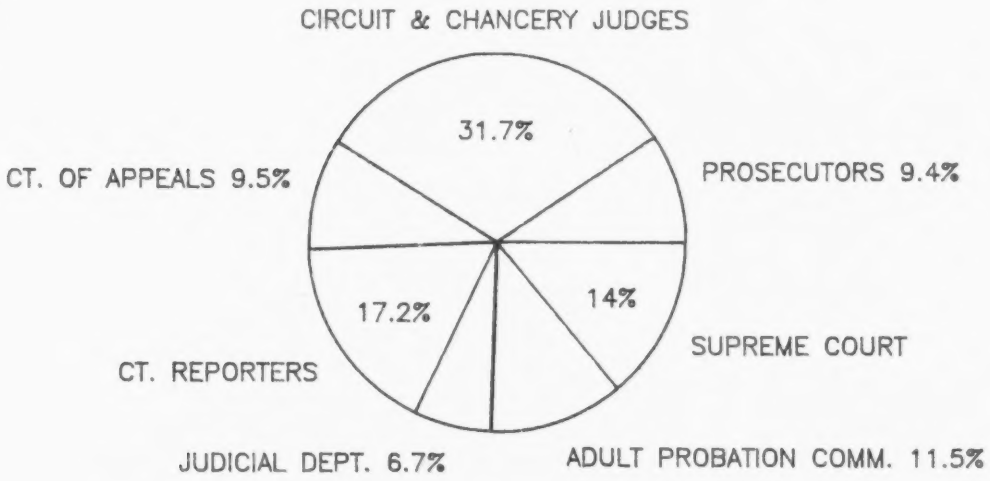
The Commission held its first meeting in April, and elected to limit its review to the salaries of circuit and chancery court officers and deputy prosecutors. The Commission consists of seven members and is chaired by Chancellor Eugene Harris of Pine Bluff.

During the interim from the passage of the Act until the appointment of the Commission, the Arkansas Judicial Department mailed a questionnaire to the circuit and chancery judges asking their preference, and made a telephone survey of county officials to determine the number of existing county paid positions and their salaries.

The judges and chancellors' position regarding state funding was overwhelmingly in support. Their number one choice for support personnel was a secretary, followed closely by a case coordinator. The Judicial Council, at its spring meeting, went on record in support of the state assuming the cost of the circuit and chancery court systems.

The survey of county officials concerning court support personnel and their salaries indicates an inequitable allocation of support personnel among circuits. Four circuits have no support personnel at all, while others have differing levels of staffing. The total number of existing county paid employees is 128.

ARKANSAS JUDICIARY
STATE LEVEL BUDGET SUMMARY



FY 85/86 ($15,426,978)

THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

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The Judicial Department is the administrative office for the non-judicial business of the courts. The staff consists of: Executive Secretary, Deputy Executive Secretary, the Systems Division, Deaf Interpreter/Translator, Financial Officer, Legal Research Coordinator, Judicial Education Coordinator, Mental Health Magistrate and Foster Care Magistrate.

The Executive Secretary is appointed by the Chief Justice with the approval of the Judicial Council. The Executive Secretary is responsible for performing the following functions: examining the administrative methods of the Courts and making recommendations to the Chief Justice for their improvement; examining the state of the dockets of the Courts, preparing statistical data and reports of the business of the Courts, and advising the Chief Justice of the proper action that may be taken; examining the estimates of the Courts of the State for appropriations and presenting the Chief Justice recommendations concerning them; examining the statistical systems of the Courts and making recommendations to the Chief Justice for a uniform system of judicial statistics; and attending to such other matters as may be assigned by the Chief Justice.

John Stewart (left), Chief of the Judicial Department's Systems Branch, Chris Thomas (center), Executive Secretary of the Judicial Department, and Jack Jarrett (right), Deputy Director of the Judicial Department, discuss the criminal case management system.

The Deputy Executive Secretary assists the Executive Secretary in all administrative functions and has the primary responsibility of monitoring the fiscal conditions of the courts.

The Systems Division of the Judicial Department has the responsibility for the statewide judicial information system. The Division monitors the uniformity of the judicial statistics of the courts and makes recommendations to the Executive Secretary for improvement of the reporting and collection process.

The Systems Division surveys the courts of record and compiles statistics reflecting their caseloads. In most instances, data is reported on paper forms completed in the clerks' offices and mailed to the division for computer entry. Several courts have begun utilizing computers and are sending reports on magnetic media, which can be fed directly into the computer.

In addition, the division has become active in developing software to assist in caseload management systems and record keeping. During the fiscal year the Systems Division created programs for the chancery courts for use in managing their caseloads. Additional software was created to aid with the increased record-keeping necessitated by the new child support legislation. A committee composed of circuit judges and case coordinators has been meeting with personnel from the

Kay Boothman serves as Judicial Education Coordinator for the Judicial Department.

Auditors Sue Blenden (left), Dinda Hemphill (seated) and Eileen Parins (right) perform the annual audit of the records of the appellate courts.

added responsibility of editing the quarterly newsletter, *Friends of the Court* and assisting with the preparation of the annual report.

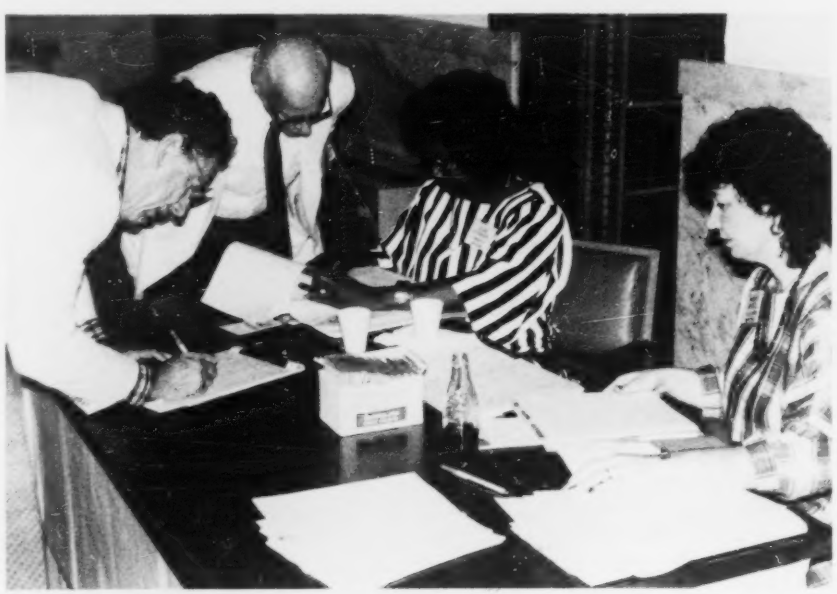
The Mental Health Magistrate conducts hearings at the State Hospital for the involuntary commitment of persons to the State Hospital. This court offers services to all counties in the state except for seven counties in the George W. Jackson Hospital "catchment" area in Northeast Arkansas. The caseload statistics of this office reflect 1,112 hearings docketed during FY 85-86.

The Foster Care Magistrate hears cases where the Human Services Division of the Department of Social Services files a petition for guardianship in probate courts. The Magistrate has been appointed in 62 counties statewide and travels to the various judicial circuits to hold the necessary hearings. The Magistrate's caseload statistics for FY 85-86 reflect a total of 263 hearings.

Systems Division to aid in development of caseload management software for the circuit courts. Plans are to have the software programs completed and in operation during fiscal year 1986-87.

The Deaf Interpreter/Translator is responsible for assisting the courts of the state in civil and criminal proceedings where deaf or hearing impaired people are involved. The interpreter is also responsible for developing training programs for other interpreters. During the 1985-86 fiscal year the Deaf Interpreter/Translator assisted in 123 trails involving deaf citizens.

The Judicial Education Coordinator has the responsibility of planning and implementing seminars and programs involving court. During the past fiscal year, the Judicial Department has been able to assist with training to the Arkansas Judicial Council, the Arkansas Municipal Judges Council, court clerks, circuit and chancery case coordinators, court bailiffs and court reporters. The Coordinator has the



Nancy Jewell (right), Office Manager of the Judicial Department, and Rose Stewart (second from right), the department's Financial Officer, register Chief Justice Jack Holt, Jr. (left) and former Chief Justice John Fogleman (second from left) at the spring meeting of the Judicial Council.

COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COUNCILS AND COMMISSIONS FISCAL YEAR 1985-86

SUPREME COURT COMMITTEES

(Appointed by Supreme Court through per curiam order)

COMMITTEES ON RULES OF PLEADING, PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

The Supreme Court has appointed two committees to advise the Court on changes to the Rules of Criminal and Civil Procedure in all courts of the state and to prescribe the time and manner of taking appeals. The committees are to serve as a vehicle for continuous study and review of the rules.

Members of the Civil Procedure Committee are: Henry Wilkinson, Chairman; David Blair, Thomas Butt, William Enfield, John Gill, Wendall Hall, Phillip Hicky, Frank Huckaba, Stephen Matthews, Jim Gunter, Dennis Shackleford, William Sutton, Walter Cox, Kenneth Gould and William Wilson, Jr. John Watkins is the official reporter for this committee.

Members of the Criminal Procedure Committee are: William Enfield, Chairman; William Allen, Robert Edwards, John Fogleman, Ray Hartenstein, Samuel Perroni, Stevan Vowell, Philip Purifoy, James Ross, Jr., Robert Williams and Steele Hays. Ray Guzman is the official reporter for this committee.

COMMITTEES ON MODEL JURY INSTRUCTIONS

Two committees exist which are charged with the preparation of Model Jury Instructions, the Committee on Civil Jury Instructions and the Committee on Criminal Jury Instructions. Both committees remain active for the purpose of updating and revising the instructions as needed.

Members of the Civil Jury Instruction Committee are: Winslow Drummond, Chairman; Philip Anderson, Jr., W.H. Arnold, David Blair, Phillip Carroll, John Everett, Robert Jones, Jr., James McKenzie, Dale Price, Jacob Sharp, Jr., George Rose Smith, Floyd Thomas, Jr., Henry Woods, Tilden Wright III and Paul Young.

Members of the Criminal Jury Instruction Committee are: Wayne Matthews, Chairman; George Rose Smith, Gerald Brown, William Enfield, Jack Lessenberry, John Calhoun, Ray Guzman, Steve Engstrom, Frank Newell, Frederick Ursery, Tom Carpenter and Larry Carpenter.

BOARD OF CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER EXAMINERS

The Board of Certified Court Reporter Examiners was established in 1983. This board has the primary responsibility of implementing and administering the rules and regulations of the Court Reporter Certification Program.

The board is composed of seven members who are appointed by the Supreme Court. Four of the members are judges of the General Jurisdiction or Appellate Courts, and the remaining three members are court reporters. The members are appointed for a term of 3 years.

The members of the board are: Darrell Hickman, Chairman; Gayle Ford, Walter Wright, Charles Eddy, Marjorie Gachot, Allen Hill and Joan Porter.

BOARD OF LEGAL SPECIALIZATION

The Board of Legal Specialization is responsible for the drafting, publishing, implementation and enforcement of the standards, rules and regulations that govern how attorneys may represent themselves to the public as specialists in one or more fields of law or law practice.

The members of the board are: Tim Boe, Chairman; Randall Ishmael, Richard Hatfield, James Cypert, John Lewis, John Stroud, Oliver Clegg, and W.R. Wilson, Jr.

The Advisory Commission is composed of: James Burns, Laverne Feaster, George McClure, Carol Williams and D.L. D'Auteuil.

CLIENT SECURTIY FUND COMMITTEE

This committee is authorized to consider claims of clients who have suffered losses by reason of dishonesty of attorneys who represented them. The committee is authorized to pay such claims (within limits) from a fund established by the Court and supported by a portion of the annual license fee. The committee is comprised of five members. One member is appointed at large and the remainder from each Congressional District. The members are: Robert Cloar, Chairman; James King, Donald Raney, Bobby Shepherd and Meredith Catlett.

COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

The Committee on Professional Conduct receives and investigates complaints against attorneys who are charged with professional misconduct. Activity of this committee is financed by a portion of the annual license fees.

Members of the committee are appointed by the Supreme Court to serve a seven-year term. The committee is comprised of seven members. One is appointed from each Congres-

sional District and three are appointed at large. Members of the committee are: Beryl Smith, Chairman; Sam Ed Gibson, Walter Niblock, Damon Young, Susan Miller, Nancy Wood and Darrell Brown. Mike Gaines, the only full-time employee, is the Executive Secretary of the Committee.

STATE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS

This Board prepares the questions for the Bar examinations conducted twice yearly, grades the papers of those taking the examinations and certifies to the Court the names of those who pass. It also investigates and recommends applicants for admission by reciprocity.

Members of the board are appointed for a term of three years. Two members are appointed from each Congressional District, with three members appointed at large. Stephen Safly is the Executive Secretary. Members are: Josephine Hart, Chairman; Bill Bristow, Garland Ridenour, Fred Briner, Ronald May, E. Lamar Pettus, Woodson Bassett, William Prewett, Robert Hargraves, Richard Mays and James McLarty.

UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW COMMITTEE

This committee has the responsibility of receiving and investigating complaints against persons charged with practicing law without a license.

One member is appointed from each Congressional District. Three members are appointed at large. The at-large members of the committee are non-lawyers.

The members of the committee are: Jerry Pinson, Kathleen Bell, Zack Wilson, John Graves, Mel Orender, Wayne Hartsfield and Ernest Matkin.

OTHER COMMISSIONS, COUNCILS AND BOARDS

(The following organizations, which are not created by Supreme Court per curiam order, are active within the Judicial Branch)

ARKANSAS JUDICIAL COUNCIL, INC.

The Judicial Council consists of the Justices of the Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Appeals, Judges of the Circuit and Chancery Courts and retired judges. The Council was organized to foster and preserve the integrity, dignity and independence of the judiciary; to promote uniformity and dispatch in judicial administration; to develop, implement and maintain a program of judicial education for assisting members newly elected or appointed to the bench; to provide continuing judicial education for members, accommodating the diverse needs of chancellors, circuit judges and appellate justices; and to select members of the Judicial Retirement Board.

The Judicial Council meets in the spring and fall each year. During the meetings, educational presentations are provided and committees meet to discuss issues that might affect the Judiciary.

Officers are: Chief Judge George Cracraft, President; Circuit Judge John Goodson, Vice-President; Chris Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer.

MUNICIPAL JUDGES COUNCIL

The Municipal Judges Council was formed as a voluntary organization to: promote the effectiveness of the Municipal Courts; to provide a comprehensive educational program for all the municipal courts statewide; and to provide a forum for municipal judges to meet with their peers to discuss criminal justice problems and solutions.

The Municipal Judges Council meets annually in May. Educational topics are presented and a business meeting is held to elect officers and discuss issues that concern municipal courts.

Officers of the Council are: Robert Smith, President; John Crain, First Vice-President; David Hale, Second Vice-President; and Alan Epley, Secretary-Treasurer.

JUDICIAL RETIREMENT BOARD

The Judicial Retirement Board was created to determine the eligibility for retirement or disability of judges of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Circuit and Chancery Courts.

The members of the board are selected and serve at the pleasure of the State Judicial Council. The members

are: Associate Justice Robert Dudley, Gayle Ford and David Partain.

JUDICIAL ETHICS COMMITTEE

The Judicial Ethics Committee was created in 1977 and became operational in December of 1978. The committee has the following powers and duties:

1) to investigate formal charges or complaints or alleged violations of laws, canons of judicial ethics, and the mental or physical disability of members of the Appellate, Circuit, Chancery and Municipal Courts which affect their competency or ability to perform the duties of their office.
2) to prepare and file with the General Assembly a bill of charges, specifying the misconduct or disability with which a member of the judicial branch is charged, whenever the committee believes there is probable cause for discipline or removal from office.

The committee is composed of five members, appointed by the Governor, Speaker of the House and the Senate Committee on Committees. The members of the Committee are: George Steel, Jr., Jerry Cavaneau, Meredith Wineland, Dale Price and Don Smith. The committee employs an investigator, David Harrel.

STATUE REVISION COMMISSION

This commission, established by statute, is responsible for publishing amendments to the statutes of Arkansas. Supreme Court appointees to the commission are: William S. Arnold, Chairman; Douglas O. Smith, Jr. and William H. Sutton. Other commissioners are: R.B. Friedlander, Lawrence Averill, J.W. Looney, Senator Mike Beebe and Representative J.L. Shaver, Jr.

ADULT PROBATION COMMISSION

The Adult Probation Commission was established to make probation services available throughout the State, to improve the effectiveness of probation services, to provide alternatives to incarceration and to establish uniform probation administration standards.

The commission consists of nine members, five of whom are circuit judges who hear criminal cases and four who are private citizens not employed in the criminal justice system. Members serve a term of six years. Commission members are: William Enfield, Cecil Tedder, John Langston, Hugh Lookadoo, Gayle Ford, James Haddock, Lucretia McDonald, Michael O'Brien and H.W. Stewart, Jr.

COURT PERSONNEL

SUPREME COURT, LAW CLERKS AND SECRETARIES

Chief Justice Jack Holt, Jr.
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Jana Cairns, Clerk
Hilda Thomas, Secretary

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Mona Mizell, Clerk
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Justice Steele Hays
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Todd Griffin, Deputy Clerk
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Marlo Bush, Assistant Reporter
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Deborah Johns, Clerk
Polly Browning, Secretary

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Mildrie Boellner, Clerk
Marilyn Cuffman, Secretary

Judge Melvin Mayfield
Marian Epperson, Clerk
Emma Jane Ohnemus, Clerk
Mary Mayfield, Secretary

Judge Tom Glaze
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Bald Knob/White	Whit Fowlkes	Pearlene Randall
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Diaz/Jackson	B. Richard Allen	Jean Sullins
Dover/Pope	Steve Gardner	Judy Petty
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Gosnell/Mississippi	Richard A. Reid	Janice Gray
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Thornton/Calhoun	James W. O'Dell	Hartsel Cayce
Traskwood/Saline	Ben Frank	Ben Frank
Tuckerman/Jackson	Steve Howard	Barbara Fields
Vilonia/Faulkner	Jack Roberts	Joyce Goff
Waldo/Columbia	David Baird	Gladys Baldwin
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SUPREME COURT

TABLE 1 SUPREME COURT APPEAL ACTIVITY

	APPEALS				TYPE OF TERMINATION			
	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	By Opinion	By Dismissal	By Transfer	By Other
APPEALS								
CRIMINAL	**61**	**173**	**152**	**82**	**123**	**15**	**7**	**7**
Felony	35	110	95	50	76	10	5	4
Capital	7	16	12	11	12	0	0	0
Post-Conviction	15	35	33	17	26	5	0	2
Misdemeanor	4	12	12	4	9	0	2	1
CIVIL	**96**	**238**	**252**	**82**	**211**	**26**	**11**	**4**
Law	51	146	143	54	118	18	6	1
Equity	42	72	94	20	80	7	4	3
Probate	3	20	15	8	13	1	1	0
TOTAL	**157**	**411**	**404**	**164**	**334**	**41**	**18**	**11**

TABLE 2 SUPREME COURT PETITION ACTIVITY

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated		Pending End
			Granted	Denied	
PETITIONS					
CRIMINAL	**18**	**189**	**47**	**146**	**14**
Post-Conviction	9	61	1	63	6
Certiorari	1	16	11	5	1
Rehearing	3	19	0	21	1
Review	1	13	1	12	1
Rule on Clerk	0	59	26	28	5
Other	4	21	8	17	0
CIVIL	**18**	**187**	**39**	**154**	**12**
Certiorari	0	8	6	2	0
Rehearing	6	46	1	48	3
Review	6	31	4	31	2
Rule on Clerk	0	48	9	35	4
Other	6	54	19	38	3
TOTAL	**36**	**376**	**86**	**300**	**26**

TABLE 3 SUPREME COURT WRITTEN OPINIONS

	WRITTEN OPINIONS				
	Majority	Concurring	Dissenting	Dissenting/ Concurring In Part	TOTAL
Holt	54	2	1	0	57
Smith	56	2	1	0	59
Hays	55	1	12	1	69
Hickman	51	2	7	0	60
Purtle	9	1	16	1	27
Dudley	52	4	1	0	57
Newbern	60	7	5	0	72
Special Justice	17	1	0	0	18
Subtotal	**354**	**20**	**43**	**2**	**419**
Per Curiam	207	0	0	0	207
Total	**561**	**20**	**43**	**2**	**626**

TABLE 4 SUPREME COURT DISPOSITION SUMMARY

	CRIMINAL					CIVIL				
	Post Conviction	Other Felony	Capital Felony	Misdemeanor	Sub-Total	Law	Equity	Probate	Sub-Total	Total
Affirmed	8	57	9	5	79	86	49	8	143	222
Reversed	1	9	1	1	12	8	8	2	18	30
Reversed and Remanded	3	4	2	1	10	18	11	2	31	41
Dismissed w/o Opinion	5	10	0	0	15	11	6	1	18	33
Affirmed/Part - Reversed/Part	0	0	0	1	1	1	4	1	6	7
Reversed and Dismissed	1	1	0	0	2	4	2	0	6	8
Dismissed with Opinion	0	1	0	0	1	7	1	0	8	9
Affirmed as Modified	0	0	0	1	1	1	6	0	7	8
Transferred to Court Appeals	0	5	0	2	7	6	4	1	11	18
Other*	2	4	0	1	7	1	3	0	4	11
Subtotal	**20**	**91**	**12**	**12**	**135**	**143**	**94**	**15**	**252**	**387**
Per Curiam Opinions	13	4	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	17
TOTAL	**33**	**95**	**12**	**12**	**152**	**143**	**94**	**15**	**252**	**404**
Oral Arguments	3	8	5	1	17	41	24	1	66	83

*Included in this category are those opinions that were Affirmed/Part - Dismissed/Part; Consolidated; Reversed No Opinion; and Remanded.

COURT OF APPEALS

TABLE 5 COURT OF APPEALS APPEAL ACTIVITY

	APPEALS				TYPE OF TERMINATION			
	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	By Opinion	By Dismissal	By Transfer	By Other
APPEALS								
CRIMINAL	**76**	**241**	**223**	**94**	**189**	**13**	**21**	**0**
Felony	55	200	178	77	153	8	17	0
Misdemeanor	21	41	45	17	36	5	4	0
CIVIL	**273**	**710**	**617**	**366**	**352**	**79**	**57**	**129**
Law	176	503	434	245	211	52	42	129
Equity	90	192	171	111	134	26	11	0
Probate	7	15	12	10	7	1	4	0
TOTAL	**349**	**951**	**840**	**460**	**541**	**92**	**78**	**129**

TABLE 6 COURT OF APPEALS PETITION ACTIVITY

	PETITIONS					TYPE OF TERMINATION			
	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated		Pending End	By Opinion	By Dismissal	By Transfer	By Other
			Granted	Denied					
PETITIONS									
CRIMINAL	**13**	**31**	**1**	**34**	**9**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Certiorari	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Rehearing	2	31	0	33	0	3	0	0	0
Review	9	0	1	0	8	0	0	0	0
CIVIL	**9**	**45**	**6**	**46**	**2**	**9**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Certiorari	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Rehearing	3	39	4	36	2	7	0	0	0
Review	5	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	6	0	6	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	**22**	**76**	**7**	**80**	**11**	**12**	**0**	**0**	**0**

TABLE 7 COURT OF APPEALS WRITTEN OPINIONS

	Majority	Concurring	Dissenting	Dissenting/ Concurring In Part	Total
Cracraft	87	0	1	0	88
Cooper	89	3	4	0	96
Cloninger	80	0	1	0	81
Corbin	98	0	2	0	100
Mayfield	90	9	7	0	106
Glaze	79	4	4	0	87
Special Judges	13	0	0	0	13
Subtotal	**536**	**16**	**19**	**0**	**571**
Per Curiam	12	0	0	0	12
Total	**548**	**16**	**19**	**0**	**583**

TABLE 8 COURT OF APPEALS DISPOSITION SUMMARY

	CRIMINAL			CIVIL				
Disposition	Other Felony	Mis-demeanor	Sub-Total	Law	Equity	Probate	Sub-Total	Total
Affirmed	129	29	158	161	111	5	277	435
Reversed	0	2	2	4	0	0	4	6
Reversed and Remanded	11	1	12	27	12	1	40	52
Dismissed without Opinion	8	5	13	52	26	1	79	92
Affirmed/Part-Reversed/Part	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	5
Reversed and Dismissed	3	1	4	0	1	1	2	6
Dismissed with Opinion	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2
Affirmed as Modified	1	0	1	3	2	0	5	6
Transferred to Supreme Court under Rule 29	17	4	21	42	11	4	57	78
Affirmed without Opinion	0	0	0	129*	0	0	129	129
Other**	1	1	2	12	3	0	15	17
Per Curiam Opinions	8	2	10	0	2	0	2	12
Subtotal	**178**	**45**	**223**	**434**	**171**	**12**	**617**	**840**
Other Per Curiam Opinions	4	2	6	11	5	0	16	22
Total	**182**	**47**	**229**	**445**	**176**	**12**	**633**	**862**
Oral Agruments	6	2	8	27	25	0	52	60

*Indicates cases heard on appeal from the Employment Security Division.

**Included in this category are those opinions that were: Consolidated with another case; Affirmed in part and Remanded; Remanded; Affirmed and Modified; Affirmed in part, Reversed in part and Remanded; Affirmed and Remanded; Affirmed as Modified and Remanded; Affirmed in part, Reversed and Dismissed in part; Modified and Remanded; Affirmed on condition of Remittitur; and Dismissed and Remanded.

GENERAL JURISDICTION COURTS

TABLE 9 TOTAL CASES FILED – CIRCUIT COURT AND CHANCERY & PROBATE COURT

Year	Circuit Court	Chancery & Probate Court	Statewide Total
1976	33,013	39,716	72,729
1977	35,848	41,512	77,360
1978	38,692	42,867	81,559
1979	42,549	43,879	86,428
1980	46,518	46,421	92,939
1981	48,280	49,165	97,445
1982	54,034	49,629	103,663
FY 83-84	59,280	49,416	108,696
FY 84-85	67,113	51,653	118,766
FY 85-86	67,736	52,963	120,699

TABLE 10 STATEWIDE AVERAGE FILINGS PER JUDGE

Year	Circuit Court	Chancery & Probate Court	Statewide Total
1976	1,138	1,528	1,322
1977	1,236	1,537	1,381
1978	1,334	1,587	1,456
1979	1,289	1,328	1,371
1980	1,410	1,407	1,409
1981	1,420	1,490	1,454
1982	1,589	1,504	1,547
FY 83-84	1,718	1,520	1,622
FY 84-85	1,918	1,565	1,747
FY 85-86	1,882	1,558	1,724

TABLE 11 RANKING OF CIRCUIT COURT BY FILINGS PER JUDGE

Rank	Circuit	No. of Judges	No. of Counties	Filings Per Judge
1	6	6	2	2,752
2	7	1	3	2,501
3	5	1	3	2,095
4	11-W	2	2	2,081
5	12	2.5*	2	1,977
6	2	3	2	1,912
7	18-E	1	1	1,888
8	16	1	5	1,854
9	20	1	3	1,738
10	4	2	2	1,737
11	1	2	6	1,734
12	17-E	1	2	1,711
13	13	2	6	1,658
14	3	1	4	1,612
15	19	1.5*	2	1,568
16	14	1	4	1,505
17	15	1	4	1,450
18	8	1.5*	4	1,250
19	10	2	5	1,058
20	17-W	0.5*	1	861
21	9-E	0.5*	2	853
22	9-W	0.5*	3	624
23	11-E	0.5*	1	604
24	18-W	0.5*	2	492

Statewide average caseload per judge: 1,882

*Indicates judge is Circuit Judge and Chancellor

TABLE 12 RANKING OF CHANCERY & PROBATE COURT BY FILINGS PER JUDGE

Rank	Circuit	No. of Judges	No. of Counties	Filings Per Judge
1	6	4	2	2,331
2	18-E	1	1	2,268
3	7	1	3	2,222
4	19	1.5*	2	1,773
5	14	1	4	1,737
6	15	1	4	1,730
7	2	3	6	1,633
8	20	1	3	1,608
9	16	1	5	1,541
10	5	1	3	1,482
11	3	1	4	1,448
12	12	2.5*	2	1,374
13	4	2	2	1,370
14	17-E	1	2	1,355
15	13	2	6	1,346
16	1	2	6	1,272
17	8	1.5*	4	1,222
18	11-W	2	2	1,184
19	9-W	0.5*	3	852
20	10	2	5	822
21	17-W	0.5*	1	758
22	9-E	0.5*	2	631
23	18-W	0.5*	2	625
24	11-E	0.5*	1	563

Statewide average caseload per judge: 1,558

*Indicates judge is Circuit Judge and Chancellor

TABLE 13 CIRCUIT COURT AND CHANCERY COURT DISPOSITION RATIO

	CIRCUIT COURT			CHANCERY COURT		
Circuit	Filings	Termi-nations	Disposition Rate	Filings	Termi-nations	Disposition Rate
1	3,468	3,047	87.86	1,847	1,556	84.24
2	5,736	5,444	94.91	3,777	3,695	97.83
3	1,612	1,492	92.56	1,103	1,043	94.56
4	3,474	2,647	76.19	2,290	2,181	95.24
5	2,095	1,995	95.23	1,161	1,275	109.82
6	16,507	16,146	97.81	7,430	7,760	104.44
7	2,501	2,308	92.28	1,762	2,135	121.17
8	1,875	1,875	100.00	1,425	1,444	101.33
9-E	853	778	91.21	476	380	79.83
9-W	624	523	83.81	700	667	95.29
10	2,116	2,478	117.11	1,275	1,576	123.61
11-E	604	749	124.01	442	455	102.94
11-W	4,162	4,174	100.29	1,890	1,772	94.76
12	4,942	4,938	99.92	2,794	2,679	95.88
13	3,315	3,383	102.05	2,062	2,040	98.93
14	1,505	1,364	90.63	1,328	1,310	98.64
15	1,450	1,097	75.66	1,436	1,610	112.12
16	1,854	1,487	80.20	1,230	1,008	81.95
17-E	1,711	1,548	90.47	1,104	1,132	102.54
17-W	861	685	79.56	606	513	84.65
18-E	1,888	1,919	101.64	1,753	1,670	95.26
18-W	492	494	100.41	477	471	98.74
19	2,353	1,951	82.92	2,200	2,185	99.32
20	1,738	1,520	87.46	1,258	1,215	96.58
Statewide Totals	**67,736**	**64,042**	**94.55**	**41,826**	**41,772**	**99.87**

TABLE 14 CIRCUIT COURT AND CHANCERY COURT PENDING CASES OVER TWO YEARS OLD

	CIRCUIT COURT		CHANCERY COURT	
Circuit	Cases Pending	% Over 2 Years	Cases Pending	% Over 2 Years
1	255	10	294	17
2	204	6	563	22
3	212	13	74	11
4	307	12	2	0
5	23	2	127	15
6	1,088	13	121	4
7	363	18	125	11
8	173	15	32	5
9-E	38	9	103	25
9-W	105	20	45	13
10	519	26	318	35
11-E	15	6	16	8
11-W	73	3	4	1
12	749	18	19	1
13	228	9	65	5
14	20	2	36	6
15	80	6	12	2
16	252	16	275	27
17-E	4	0	5	2
17-W	37	6	11	3
18-E	29	3	13	2
18-W	20	7	20	8
19	77	5	24	3
20	104	7	113	12
Statewide Totals	**4,975**	**11**	**2,417**	**11**

TABLE 15 CIRCUIT AND CHANCERY & PROBATE COURT CASELOAD ACTIVITY

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
1st Circuit										
Cross County										
Criminal	50	242	204	69	19	53	12	4	6	38
Civil	252	298	271	279	0	156	75	48	17	27
Chancery	280	327	227	380	0	161	72	147	39	100
Probate	96	92	49	139	0	69	50	20	14	43
Total	**678**	**959**	**751**	**867**	**19**	**439**	**209**	**219**	**25**	**208**
Lee County										
Criminal	52	132	72	108	4	91	14	3	3	60
Civil	142	161	165	138	0	66	36	36	26	-4
Chancery	168	175	109	234	0	106	79	49	21	66
Probate	57	82	53	86	0	51	25	10	12	29
Total	**419**	**550**	**399**	**566**	**4**	**314**	**154**	**98**	**17**	**151**
Monroe County										
Criminal	132	196	135	75	118	59	10	6	8	61
Civil	109	185	173	121	0	88	20	13	11	12
Chancery	107	149	126	130	0	71	28	31	24	23
Probate	57	77	33	101	0	55	30	16	16	44
Total	**405**	**607**	**467**	**427**	**118**	**273**	**88**	**66**	**15**	**140**
Phillips County										
Criminal	477	560	578	444	15	385	31	28	6	-18
Civil	292	517	443	366	0	266	71	29	8	74
Chancery	313	502	461	354	0	257	79	18	5	41
Probate	240	218	122	336	0	155	121	60	18	96
Total	**1322**	**1797**	**1604**	**1500**	**15**	**1063**	**302**	**135**	**9**	**193**
St. Francis County										
Criminal	231	437	316	139	213	100	30	9	6	121
Civil	350	476	449	377	0	251	70	56	15	27
Chancery	409	533	533	409	0	238	144	27	7	0
Probate	155	164	50	269	0	125	103	41	15	114
Total	**1145**	**1610**	**1348**	**1194**	**213**	**714**	**347**	**133**	**11**	**262**
Woodruff County										
Criminal	87	157	129	102	13	74	24	4	4	28
Civil	116	107	112	111	0	62	30	19	17	-5
Chancery	83	161	100	144	0	90	32	22	15	61
Probate	62	65	26	101	0	50	31	20	20	39
Total	**348**	**490**	**367**	**458**	**13**	**276**	**117**	**65**	**14**	**123**
1st Circuit Total										
Criminal	1029	1724	1434	937	382	762	121	54	6	290
Civil	1261	1744	1613	1392	0	889	302	201	14	131
Chancery	1360	1847	1556	1651	0	923	434	294	18	291
Probate	667	698	333	1032	0	505	360	167	16	365
Total	**4317**	**6013**	**4936**	**5012**	**382**	**3079**	**1217**	**716**	**14**	**1077**
2nd Circuit										
Clay County										
Criminal	23	122	126	15	4	15	0	0	0	-4
Civil	89	125	124	90	0	63	20	7	8	1
Chancery	115	296	278	133	0	104	23	6	5	18
Probate	70	92	69	93	0	53	27	13	14	23
Total	**297**	**635**	**597**	**331**	**4**	**235**	**70**	**26**	**8**	**38**
Craighead County										
Criminal	286	656	588	311	43	243	41	27	9	68
Civil	577	837	792	622	0	439	155	28	5	45
Chancery	900	999	1120	779	0	409	130	240	31	-121
Probate	314	301	237	378	0	193	83	102	27	64
Total	**2077**	**2793**	**2737**	**2090**	**43**	**1284**	**409**	**397**	**19**	**56**

Table 15 — Continued

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Crittenden County										
Criminal	651	582	573	511	149	313	164	34	7	9
Civil	308	603	537	374	0	290	71	13	3	66
Chancery	487	716	666	537	0	335	83	119	22	50
Probate	171	248	150	269	0	151	78	40	15	98
Total	**1617**	**2149**	**1926**	**1691**	**149**	**1089**	**396**	**206**	**12**	**223**
Greene County										
Criminal	132	243	208	114	53	80	29	5	4	35
Civil	145	223	226	142	0	108	25	9	6	-3
Chancery	277	501	459	319	0	171	53	95	30	42
Probate	95	121	69	147	0	97	41	9	6	52
Total	**649**	**1088**	**962**	**722**	**53**	**456**	**148**	**118**	**16**	**126**
Mississippi County										
Criminal	420	1072	1076	314	102	257	52	5	2	-4
Civil	286	550	565	271	0	227	32	12	4	-15
Chancery	434	893	878	449	0	330	95	24	5	15
Probate	249	256	211	294	0	137	105	52	18	45
Total	**1389**	**2771**	**2730**	**1328**	**102**	**951**	**284**	**93**	**7**	**41**
Poinsett County										
Criminal	231	445	375	265	36	169	50	46	17	70
Civil	186	278	254	210	0	151	41	18	9	24
Chancery	258	372	294	336	0	177	80	79	24	78
Probate	86	104	70	120	0	71	34	15	13	34
Total	**761**	**1199**	**993**	**931**	**36**	**568**	**205**	**158**	**17**	**206**
Second Circuit Total										
Criminal	1743	3120	2946	1530	387	1077	336	117	8	174
Civil	1591	2616	2498	1709	0	1278	344	87	5	118
Chancery	2471	3777	3695	2553	0	1526	464	563	22	82
Probate	985	1122	806	1301	0	702	368	231	18	316
Total	**6790**	**10,635**	**9945**	**7093**	**387**	**4583**	**1512**	**998**	**14**	**690**
				3rd Circuit						
Jackson County										
Criminal	340	339	262	368	49	267	65	36	10	77
Civil	283	303	288	298	0	162	83	53	18	15
Chancery	191	326	332	185	0	126	38	21	11	-6
Probate	100	107	85	122	0	56	38	28	23	22
Total	**914**	**1075**	**967**	**973**	**49**	**611**	**224**	**138**	**14**	**108**
Lawrence County										
Criminal	229	185	176	163	75	117	21	25	15	9
Civil	261	269	258	272	0	165	81	26	10	11
Chancery	149	281	238	192	0	145	42	5	3	43
Probate	95	89	75	109	0	59	28	22	20	14
Total	**734**	**824**	**747**	**736**	**75**	**486**	**172**	**78**	**11**	**77**
Randolph County										
Criminal	162	140	120	96	86	53	21	22	23	20
Civil	193	161	198	156	0	89	43	24	15	-37
Chancery	149	299	259	189	0	115	32	42	22	40
Probate	86	66	47	105	0	44	32	29	28	19
Total	**590**	**666**	**624**	**546**	**86**	**301**	**128**	**117**	**21**	**42**
Sharp County										
Criminal	78	102	75	91	14	63	15	13	14	27
Civil	134	113	115	132	0	77	42	13	10	-2
Chancery	144	197	214	127	0	96	25	6	5	-17
Probate	88	83	68	103	0	53	32	18	17	15
Total	**444**	**495**	**472**	**453**	**14**	**289**	**114**	**50**	**11**	**23**

Table 15 — Continued

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Third Circuit Total										
Criminal	809	766	633	718	224	500	122	96	13	133
Civil	871	846	859	858	0	493	249	116	14	-13
Chancery	633	1103	1043	693	0	482	137	74	11	60
Probate	369	345	275	439	0	212	130	97	22	70
Total	**2682**	**3060**	**2810**	**2708**	**224**	**1687**	**638**	**383**	**14**	**250**
4th Circuit										
Madison County										
Criminal	118	105	77	95	51	51	19	25	26	28
Civil	53	88	71	70	0	54	11	5	7	17
Chancery	46	211	200	57	0	55	2	0	0	11
Probate	36	52	40	48	0	37	11	0	0	12
Total	**253**	**456**	**388**	**270**	**51**	**197**	**43**	**30**	**11**	**68**
Washington County										
Criminal	2281	1796	1420	1006	1651	632	140	234	23	376
Civil	797	1485	1079	1203	0	1013	147	43	4	406
Chancery	517	2079	1981	615	0	597	16	2	0	98
Probate	311	398	298	411	0	232	123	56	14	100
Total	**3906**	**5758**	**4778**	**3235**	**1651**	**2474**	**426**	**335**	**10**	**980**
4th Circuit Total										
Criminal	2399	1901	1497	1101	1702	683	159	259	24	404
Civil	850	1573	1150	1273	0	1067	158	48	4	423
Chancery	563	2290	2181	672	0	652	18	2	0	109
Probate	347	450	338	459	0	269	134	56	12	112
Total	**4159**	**6214**	**5166**	**3505**	**1702**	**2671**	**469**	**365**	**10**	**1048**
5th Circuit										
Franklin County										
Criminal	213	231	281	77	86	53	17	7	9	-50
Civil	66	150	164	52	0	47	4	1	2	-14
Chancery	263	225	355	133	0	77	32	24	18	-130
Probate	73	56	6	123	0	51	47	25	20	50
Total	**615**	**662**	**806**	**385**	**86**	**228**	**100**	**57**	**15**	**-144**
Johnson County										
Criminal	125	281	197	142	67	129	12	1	1	84
Civil	82	189	179	92	0	83	6	3	3	10
Chancery	245	275	241	279	0	147	45	87	31	34
Probate	76	72	37	111	0	49	39	23	21	35
Total	**528**	**817**	**654**	**624**	**67**	**408**	**102**	**114**	**18**	**163**
Pope County										
Criminal	477	693	632	447	91	400	43	4	1	61
Civil	238	551	542	247	0	214	26	7	3	9
Chancery	442	661	679	424	0	298	110	16	4	-18
Probate	212	193	102	303	0	130	105	68	22	91
Total	**1369**	**2098**	**1955**	**1421**	**91**	**1042**	**284**	**95**	**7**	**143**
5th Circuit Total										
Criminal	815	1205	1110	666	244	582	72	12	2	95
Civil	386	890	885	391	0	344	36	11	3	5
Chancery	950	1161	1275	836	0	522	187	127	15	-114
Probate	361	321	145	537	0	230	191	116	22	176
Total	**2512**	**3577**	**3415**	**2430**	**244**	**1678**	**486**	**266**	**11**	**162**
6th Circuit										
Perry County										
Criminal	62	130	101	80	11	76	4	0	0	29
Civil	134	107	119	122	0	60	27	35	29	-12
Chancery	163	124	196	91	0	49	22	20	22	-72
Probate	66	40	24	82	0	28	25	29	35	16
Total	**425**	**401**	**440**	**375**	**11**	**213**	**78**	**84**	**22**	**-39**

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	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Pulaski County										
Criminal	3248	5858	6116	2608	387	2382	196	30	1	-258
Civil	4953	10412	9810	5555	0	3858	674	1023	18	602
Chancery	3483	7306	7564	3225	0	2705	419	101	3	-258
Probate	1838	1855	1282	2411	0	1141	785	485	20	573
Total	**13,522**	**25,431**	**24,772**	**13,799**	**387**	**10,086**	**2074**	**1639**	**12**	**659**
6th Circuit Total										
Criminal	3310	5988	6217	2688	398	2458	200	30	1	-229
Civil	5087	10,519	9929	5677	0	3918	701	1058	19	590
Chancery	3646	7430	7760	3316	0	2754	441	121	4	-330
Probate	1904	1895	1306	2493	0	1169	810	514	21	589
Total	**13,947**	**25,832**	**25,212**	**14,174**	**398**	**10,299**	**2,152**	**1,723**	**12**	**620**
7th Circuit										
Grant County										
Criminal	115	86	107	92	2	51	30	11	12	-21
Civil	149	191	210	130	0	81	22	27	21	-19
Chancery	215	189	283	121	0	66	39	16	13	-94
Probate	55	56	23	88	0	43	28	17	19	33
Total	**534**	**522**	**623**	**431**	**2**	**241**	**119**	**71**	**16**	**-101**
Hot Spring County										
Criminal	263	318	228	349	4	232	95	22	6	90
Civil	427	404	461	370	0	196	60	114	31	-57
Chancery	464	387	569	282	0	176	87	19	7	-182
Probate	185	151	52	284	0	115	72	97	34	99
Total	**1339**	**1260**	**1310**	**1285**	**4**	**719**	**314**	**252**	**20**	**-50**
Saline County										
Criminal	613	757	263	391	716	146	176	69	18	494
Civil	927	745	1039	633	0	379	134	120	19	-294
Chancery	880	1186	1283	783	0	495	198	90	11	-97
Probate	267	253	118	402	0	176	120	106	26	135
Total	**2687**	**2941**	**2703**	**2209**	**716**	**1196**	**628**	**385**	**17**	**238**
7th Circuit Total										
Criminal	991	1161	598	832	722	429	301	102	12	563
Civil	1503	1340	1710	1133	0	656	216	261	23	-370
Chancery	1559	1762	2135	1186	0	737	324	125	11	-373
Probate	507	460	193	774	0	334	220	220	28	267
Total	**4560**	**4723**	**4636**	**3925**	**722**	**2156**	**1061**	**708**	**18**	**87**
8th Circuit										
Hempstead County										
Criminal	267	281	276	131	141	120	5	6	5	5
Civil	183	232	232	183	0	117	32	34	19	0
Chancery	173	351	337	187	0	155	20	12	6	14
Probate	101	76	67	110	0	52	43	15	14	9
Total	**724**	**940**	**912**	**611**	**141**	**444**	**100**	**67**	**11**	**28**
Lafayette County										
Criminal	34	111	113	24	8	19	1	4	17	-2
Civil	47	100	96	51	0	37	12	2	4	4
Chancery	67	188	200	55	0	46	9	0	0	-12
Probate	63	59	46	76	0	31	27	18	24	13
Total	**211**	**458**	**455**	**206**	**8**	**133**	**49**	**24**	**12**	**3**
Miller County										
Criminal	554	463	491	298	228	187	67	44	15	-28
Civil	346	404	401	349	0	208	66	75	21	3
Chancery	375	704	747	332	0	275	40	17	5	-43
Probate	285	203	174	314	0	121	100	93	30	29
Total	**1560**	**1774**	**1813**	**1293**	**228**	**791**	**273**	**229**	**18**	**-39**

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	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Nevada County										
Criminal	44	187	177	43	11	41	0	2	5	10
Civil	57	97	89	65	0	44	15	6	9	8
Chancery	72	182	160	94	0	86	5	3	3	22
Probate	65	70	65	70	0	29	28	13	19	5
Total	**238**	**536**	**491**	**272**	**11**	**200**	**48**	**24**	**9**	**45**
8th Circuit Total										
Criminal	899	1042	1057	496	388	367	73	56	11	-15
Civil	633	833	818	648	0	406	125	117	18	15
Chancery	687	1425	1444	668	0	562	74	32	5	-19
Probate	514	408	352	570	0	233	198	139	24	56
Total	**2733**	**3708**	**3671**	**2382**	**388**	**1568**	**470**	**344**	**14**	**37**
9th Circuit East										
Clark County										
Criminal	233	267	222	113	165	71	28	14	12	45
Civil	189	400	367	222	0	165	35	22	10	33
Chancery	220	337	258	299	0	160	55	84	28	79
Probate	111	107	48	170	0	83	54	33	19	59
Total	**753**	**1111**	**895**	**804**	**165**	**479**	**172**	**153**	**19**	**216**
Pike County										
Criminal	53	71	72	30	22	20	10	0	0	-1
Civil	55	115	117	53	0	43	8	2	4	-2
Chancery	91	139	122	108	0	69	20	19	18	17
Probate	34	48	29	53	0	27	14	12	23	19
Total	**233**	**373**	**340**	**244**	**22**	**159**	**52**	**33**	**14**	**33**
9-E Circuit Total										
Criminal	286	338	294	143	187	91	38	14	10	44
Civil	244	515	484	275	0	208	43	24	9	31
Chancery	311	476	380	407	0	229	75	103	25	96
Probate	145	155	77	223	0	110	68	45	20	78
Total	**986**	**1484**	**1235**	**1048**	**187**	**638**	**224**	**186**	**18**	**249**
9th Circuit West										
Howard County										
Criminal	43	93	101	23	12	13	8	2	9	-8
Civil	117	135	117	135	0	66	35	34	25	18
Chancery	78	225	202	101	0	76	14	11	11	23
Probate	43	48	40	51	0	23	18	10	20	8
Total	**281**	**501**	**460**	**310**	**12**	**178**	**75**	**57**	**18**	**41**
Little River County										
Criminal	30	77	59	48	0	45	2	1	2	18
Civil	107	108	79	136	0	63	34	39	29	29
Chancery	96	254	235	115	0	98	10	7	6	19
Probate	72	44	48	68	0	26	26	16	24	-4
Total	**305**	**483**	**421**	**367**	**0**	**232**	**72**	**63**	**17**	**62**
Sevier County										
Criminal	28	110	82	56	0	46	8	2	4	28
Civil	96	101	85	112	0	51	34	27	24	16
Chancery	137	221	230	128	0	68	33	27	21	-9
Probate	49	60	35	74	0	41	26	7	9	25
Total	**310**	**492**	**432**	**370**	**0**	**206**	**101**	**63**	**17**	**60**
9-W Circuit Total										
Criminal	101	280	242	127	12	104	18	5	4	38
Civil	320	344	281	383	0	180	103	100	26	63
Chancery	311	700	667	344	0	242	57	45	13	33
Probate	164	152	123	193	0	90	70	33	17	29
Total	**896**	**1476**	**1313**	**1047**	**12**	**616**	**248**	**183**	**17**	**163**

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	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
10th Circuit										
Ashley County										
Criminal	298	241	283	187	69	117	25	45	24	-42
Civil	405	329	365	369	0	188	66	115	31	-36
Chancery	459	430	548	341	0	175	44	122	36	-118
Probate	85	100	63	122	0	56	30	36	30	37
Total	**1247**	**1100**	**1259**	**1019**	**69**	**536**	**165**	**318**	**31**	**-159**
Bradley County										
Criminal	202	86	168	98	22	56	20	22	22	-82
Civil	136	131	138	129	0	62	36	31	24	-7
Chancery	86	143	155	74	0	51	11	12	16	-12
Probate	43	52	27	68	0	37	17	14	21	25
Total	**467**	**412**	**488**	**369**	**22**	**206**	**84**	**79**	**21**	**-76**
Chicot County										
Criminal	387	367	347	284	123	225	30	29	10	20
Civil	308	189	240	257	0	99	61	97	38	-51
Chancery	288	195	280	203	0	82	27	94	46	-85
Probate	74	72	41	105	0	48	36	21	20	31
Total	**1057**	**823**	**908**	**849**	**123**	**454**	**154**	**241**	**28**	**-85**
Desha County										
Criminal	263	158	194	148	79	87	25	36	24	-36
Civil	249	211	253	207	0	96	31	80	39	-42
Chancery	266	283	329	220	0	113	18	89	40	-46
Probate	69	82	53	98	0	54	20	24	24	29
Total	**847**	**734**	**829**	**673**	**79**	**350**	**94**	**229**	**34**	**-95**
Drew County										
Criminal	257	216	311	120	42	98	8	14	12	-95
Civil	168	188	179	177	0	97	30	50	28	9
Chancery	115	224	264	75	0	64	10	1	1	-40
Probate	89	63	63	89	0	34	31	24	27	0
Total	**629**	**691**	**817**	**461**	**42**	**293**	**79**	**89**	**19**	**-126**
10th Circuit Total										
Criminal	1407	1068	1303	837	335	583	108	146	17	-235
Civil	1266	1048	1175	1139	0	542	224	373	33	-127
Chancery	1214	1275	1576	913	0	485	110	318	35	-301
Probate	360	369	247	482	0	229	134	119	25	122
Total	**4247**	**3760**	**4301**	**3371**	**335**	**1839**	**576**	**956**	**28**	**-541**
11th Circuit East										
Arkansas County										
Criminal	199	223	335	56	31	45	11	0	0	-112
Civil	222	381	414	189	0	146	28	15	8	-33
Chancery	209	442	455	196	0	155	25	16	8	-13
Probate	179	121	76	224	0	82	77	65	29	45
Total	**809**	**1167**	**1280**	**665**	**31**	**428**	**141**	**96**	**14**	**-113**
11-E Circuit Total										
Criminal	199	223	335	56	31	45	11	0	0	-112
Civil	222	381	414	189	0	146	28	15	8	-33
Chancery	209	442	455	196	0	155	25	16	8	-13
Probate	179	121	76	224	0	82	77	65	29	45
Total	**809**	**1167**	**1280**	**665**	**31**	**428**	**141**	**96**	**14**	**-113**
11th Circuit West										
Jefferson County										
Criminal	1485	2612	2631	1089	377	966	111	12	1	-19
Civil	857	1310	1275	892	0	662	179	51	6	35
Chancery	510	1689	1585	614	0	547	65	2	0	104
Probate	265	437	357	345	0	191	110	44	13	80
Total	**3117**	**6048**	**5848**	**2940**	**377**	**2366**	**465**	**109**	**4**	**200**

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	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Lincoln County										
Criminal	78	136	146	48	20	47	1	0	0	-10
Civil	92	104	122	74	0	50	14	10	14	-18
Chancery	70	201	187	84	0	77	5	2	2	14
Probate	31	42	37	36	0	18	10	8	22	5
Total	**271**	**483**	**492**	**242**	**20**	**192**	**30**	**20**	**8**	**-9**
11-W Circuit Total										
Criminal	1563	2748	2777	1137	397	1013	112	12	1	-29
Civil	949	1414	1397	966	0	712	193	61	6	17
Chancery	580	1890	1772	698	0	624	70	4	1	118
Probate	296	479	394	381	0	209	120	52	14	85
Total	**3388**	**6531**	**6340**	**3182**	**397**	**2558**	**495**	**129**	**4**	**191**
12th Circuit										
Crawford County										
Criminal	815	475	517	468	305	241	117	110	24	-42
Civil	348	408	352	404	0	226	76	102	25	56
Chancery	287	835	731	391	0	343	46	2	1	104
Probate	114	165	130	149	0	93	38	18	12	35
Total	**1564**	**1883**	**1730**	**1412**	**305**	**903**	**277**	**232**	**16**	**153**
Sebastian County										
Criminal	2062	2256	2443	1619	256	1308	272	39	2	-187
Civil	1424	1803	1626	1601	0	832	271	498	31	177
Chancery	972	1959	1948	983	0	791	175	17	2	11
Probate	425	476	406	495	0	283	138	74	15	70
Total	**4883**	**6494**	**6423**	**4698**	**256**	**3214**	**856**	**628**	**13**	**71**
12th Circuit Total										
Criminal	2877	2731	2960	2087	561	1549	389	149	7	-229
Civil	1772	2211	1978	2005	0	1058	347	600	30	233
Chancery	1259	2794	2679	1374	0	1134	221	19	1	115
Probate	539	641	536	644	0	376	176	92	14	105
Total	**6447**	**8377**	**8153**	**6110**	**561**	**4117**	**1133**	**860**	**14**	**224**
13th Circuit										
Calhoun County										
Criminal	47	49	82	5	9	5	0	0	0	-33
Civil	92	95	84	103	0	52	21	30	29	11
Chancery	70	104	105	69	0	49	15	5	7	-1
Probate	40	16	35	21	0	9	8	4	19	-19
Total	**249**	**264**	**306**	**198**	**9**	**115**	**44**	**39**	**20**	**-42**
Cleveland County										
Criminal	2	46	30	18	0	18	0	0	0	16
Civil	39	47	30	56	0	30	20	6	11	17
Chancery	31	90	62	59	0	50	4	5	8	28
Probate	14	18	8	24	0	13	6	5	21	10
Total	**86**	**201**	**130**	**157**	**0**	**111**	**30**	**16**	**10**	**71**
Columbia County										
Criminal	78	292	234	107	29	107	0	0	0	58
Civil	180	252	204	228	0	152	44	32	14	48
Chancery	233	378	393	218	0	161	44	13	6	-15
Probate	162	140	114	188	0	80	44	64	34	26
Total	**653**	**1062**	**945**	**741**	**29**	**500**	**132**	**109**	**15**	**117**
Dallas County										
Criminal	38	36	46	23	5	17	6	0	0	-10
Civil	104	147	106	145	0	83	37	25	17	41
Chancery	111	130	145	96	0	56	31	9	9	-15
Probate	62	43	29	76	0	28	20	28	37	14
Total	**315**	**356**	**326**	**340**	**5**	**184**	**94**	**62**	**18**	**30**

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	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Ouachita County										
Criminal	155	459	488	88	38	83	4	1	1	-29
Civil	318	378	353	343	0	188	84	71	21	25
Chancery	309	643	628	324	0	258	60	6	2	15
Probate	156	161	122	195	0	79	64	52	27	39
Total	**938**	**1641**	**1591**	**950**	**38**	**608**	**212**	**130**	**14**	**50**
Union County										
Criminal	991	721	912	733	67	117	615	1	0	-191
Civil	598	793	814	577	0	408	107	62	11	-21
Chancery	416	717	707	426	0	323	76	27	6	10
Probate	425	253	150	528	0	209	166	153	29	103
Total	**2430**	**2484**	**2583**	**2264**	**67**	**1057**	**964**	**243**	**11**	**-99**
13th Circuit Total										
Criminal	1311	1603	1792	974	148	347	625	2	0	-189
Civil	1331	1712	1591	1452	0	913	313	226	16	121
Chancery	1170	2062	2040	1192	0	897	230	65	5	22
Probate	859	631	458	1032	0	418	308	306	30	173
Total	**4671**	**6008**	**5881**	**4650**	**148**	**2575**	**1476**	**599**	**13**	**127**
14th Circuit										
Baxter County										
Criminal	106	337	285	147	11	133	9	5	3	52
Civil	134	253	209	178	0	152	20	6	3	44
Chancery	226	486	494	218	0	189	19	10	5	-8
Probate	159	217	131	245	0	144	62	39	16	86
Total	**625**	**1293**	**1119**	**788**	**11**	**618**	**110**	**60**	**8**	**174**
Boone County										
Criminal	143	296	253	172	14	156	16	0	0	43
Civil	158	318	273	203	0	166	34	3	1	45
Chancery	204	540	520	224	0	192	20	12	5	20
Probate	74	111	60	125	0	76	32	17	14	51
Total	**579**	**1265**	**1106**	**724**	**14**	**590**	**102**	**32**	**4**	**159**
Marion County										
Criminal	54	107	118	34	5	33	1	0	0	-11
Civil	61	93	101	53	0	42	9	2	4	-8
Chancery	103	216	215	104	0	87	12	5	5	1
Probate	85	55	43	97	0	42	24	31	32	12
Total	**303**	**471**	**477**	**288**	**9**	**204**	**46**	**38**	**13**	**-6**
Newton County										
Criminal	56	46	67	34	1	23	11	0	0	-21
Civil	56	55	58	53	0	36	13	4	8	-3
Chancery	56	86	81	61	0	43	9	9	15	5
Probate	22	26	14	34	0	18	5	11	32	12
Total	**190**	**213**	**220**	**182**	**1**	**120**	**38**	**24**	**13**	**-7**
14th Circuit Total										
Criminal	359	786	723	387	35	345	37	5	1	63
Civil	409	719	641	487	0	396	76	15	3	78
Chancery	589	1328	1310	607	0	511	60	36	6	18
Probate	340	409	248	501	0	280	123	98	20	161
Total	**1697**	**3242**	**2922**	**1982**	**35**	**1532**	**296**	**154**	**8**	**320**
15th Circuit										
Conway County										
Criminal	94	151	115	128	2	99	26	3	2	36
Civil	228	272	248	252	0	160	73	19	8	24
Chancery	198	374	449	123	0	117	5	1	1	-75
Probate	149	91	90	150	0	72	50	28	19	1
Total	**669**	**888**	**902**	**653**	**2**	**448**	**154**	**51**	**8**	**-14**

Table 15 — Continued

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Logan County										
Criminal	129	276	191	193	21	165	28	0	0	85
Civil	136	212	193	155	0	118	33	4	3	19
Chancery	240	468	554	154	0	137	9	8	5	-86
Probate	146	98	81	163	0	74	54	35	21	17
Total	**651**	**1054**	**1019**	**665**	**21**	**494**	**124**	**47**	**7**	**35**
Scott County										
Criminal	94	133	125	96	6	89	5	2	2	8
Civil	41	68	52	57	0	42	11	3	5	16
Chancery	78	194	210	62	0	55	4	3	5	-16
Probate	36	36	23	49	0	26	19	4	8	13
Total	**249**	**431**	**410**	**264**	**6**	**213**	**39**	**12**	**5**	**21**
Yell County										
Criminal	177	179	50	246	60	135	71	40	16	129
Civil	154	159	123	190	0	114	67	9	5	36
Chancery	140	400	397	143	0	139	4	0	0	3
Probate	128	69	98	99	0	51	24	24	24	-29
Total	**599**	**807**	**668**	**678**	**60**	**439**	**166**	**73**	**11**	**139**
15th Circuit Total										
Criminal	494	739	481	663	89	488	130	45	7	258
Civil	559	711	616	654	0	435	184	35	5	95
Chancery	656	1436	1610	482	0	448	22	12	2	-174
Probate	459	294	292	461	0	223	147	91	20	2
Total	**2168**	**3180**	**2999**	**2260**	**89**	**1594**	**483**	**183**	**8**	**181**
16th Circuit										
Cleburne County										
Criminal	201	283	237	97	150	62	35	0	0	46
Civil	136	236	200	172	0	117	31	24	14	36
Chancery	202	305	218	289	0	164	49	76	26	87
Probate	95	74	64	105	0	31	34	40	38	10
Total	**634**	**898**	**719**	**663**	**150**	**374**	**149**	**140**	**21**	**179**
Fulton County										
Criminal	43	38	38	41	2	29	8	4	10	0
Civil	47	43	48	42	0	22	13	7	17	-5
Chancery	50	118	94	74	0	57	11	6	8	24
Probate	22	32	19	35	0	20	13	2	6	13
Total	**162**	**231**	**199**	**192**	**2**	**128**	**45**	**19**	**10**	**32**
Independence County										
Criminal	373	429	217	373	212	234	79	60	16	212
Civil	409	461	392	478	0	252	122	104	22	69
Chancery	229	534	428	335	0	221	63	51	15	106
Probate	123	130	87	166	0	73	51	42	25	43
Total	**1134**	**1554**	**1124**	**1352**	**212**	**780**	**315**	**257**	**19**	**430**
Izard County										
Criminal	108	96	105	78	21	59	14	5	6	-9
Civil	125	66	111	80	0	32	28	20	25	-45
Chancery	148	142	154	136	0	66	16	54	40	-12
Probate	84	46	52	78	0	33	26	19	24	-6
Total	**465**	**350**	**422**	**372**	**21**	**190**	**84**	**98**	**26**	**-72**
Stone County										
Criminal	134	126	61	145	54	81	54	10	7	65
Civil	60	76	78	58	0	33	7	18	31	-2
Chancery	165	131	114	182	0	60	34	88	48	17
Probate	67	29	31	65	0	17	22	26	40	-2
Total	**426**	**362**	**284**	**450**	**54**	**191**	**117**	**142**	**32**	**78**

Table 15 — Continued

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
16th Circuit Total										
Criminal	859	972	658	734	439	465	190	79	11	314
Civil	777	882	829	830	0	456	201	173	21	53
Chancery	794	1230	1008	1016	0	568	173	275	27	222
Probate	391	311	253	449	0	174	146	129	29	58
Total	**2821**	**3395**	**2748**	**3029**	**439**	**1663**	**710**	**656**	**22**	**647**
17th Circuit East										
Prairie County										
Criminal	39	146	138	47	0	39	8	0	0	8
Civil	70	130	147	53	0	50	3	0	0	-17
Chancery	62	159	161	60	0	57	2	1	2	-2
Probate	29	41	32	38	0	16	18	4	11	9
Total	**200**	**476**	**478**	**198**	**0**	**162**	**31**	**5**	**3**	**-2**
White County										
Criminal	204	743	622	325	0	323	2	0	0	121
Civil	211	692	641	262	0	237	21	4	2	51
Chancery	262	945	971	236	0	223	9	4	2	-26
Probate	174	210	151	233	0	107	77	49	21	59
Total	**851**	**2590**	**2385**	**1056**	**0**	**890**	**109**	**57**	**5**	**205**
17-E Circuit Total										
Criminal	243	889	760	372	0	362	10	0	0	129
Civil	281	822	788	315	0	287	24	4	1	34
Chancery	324	1104	1132	296	0	280	11	5	2	-28
Probate	203	251	183	271	0	123	95	53	20	68
Total	**1051**	**3066**	**2863**	**1254**	**0**	**1052**	**140**	**62**	**5**	**203**
17th Circuit West										
Lonoke County										
Criminal	99	291	258	130	2	112	16	2	2	33
Civil	285	570	427	428	0	265	128	35	8	143
Chancery	248	606	513	341	0	261	69	11	3	93
Probate	257	152	72	337	0	119	108	110	33	80
Total	**889**	**1619**	**1270**	**1236**	**2**	**757**	**321**	**158**	**13**	**349**
17-W Circuit Total										
Criminal	99	291	258	130	2	112	16	2	2	33
Civil	285	570	427	428	0	265	128	35	8	143
Chancery	248	606	513	341	0	261	69	11	3	93
Probate	257	152	72	337	0	119	108	110	33	80
Total	**889**	**1619**	**1270**	**1236**	**2**	**757**	**321**	**158**	**13**	**349**
18th Circuit East										
Garland County										
Criminal	219	475	476	189	29	164	21	4	2	-1
Civil	694	1413	1443	664	0	505	134	25	4	-30
Chancery	597	1753	1670	680	0	572	95	13	2	83
Probate	502	515	386	631	0	322	156	153	24	129
Total	**2012**	**4156**	**3975**	**2164**	**29**	**1563**	**406**	**195**	**9**	**181**
18-E Circuit Total										
Criminal	219	475	476	189	29	164	21	4	2	-1
Civil	694	1413	1443	664	0	505	134	25	4	-30
Chancery	597	1753	1670	680	0	572	95	13	2	83
Probate	502	515	386	631	0	322	156	153	24	129
Total	**2012**	**4156**	**3975**	**2164**	**29**	**1563**	**406**	**195**	**9**	**181**

Table 15 — Continued

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
18th Circuit West										
Montgomery County										
Criminal	53	91	78	32	34	21	10	1	3	13
Civil	46	86	83	49	0	40	8	1	2	3
Chancery	65	103	106	62	0	42	15	5	8	-3
Probate	33	32	21	44	0	19	18	7	16	11
Total	**197**	**312**	**288**	**187**	**34**	**122**	**51**	**14**	**7**	**24**
Polk County										
Criminal	115	157	193	70	9	55	8	7	10	-36
Civil	107	158	140	125	0	95	19	11	9	18
Chancery	183	374	365	192	0	140	37	15	8	9
Probate	61	116	76	101	0	66	29	6	6	40
Total	**466**	**805**	**774**	**488**	**9**	**356**	**93**	**39**	**8**	**31**
18-W Circuit Total										
Criminal	168	248	271	102	43	76	18	8	8	-23
Civil	153	244	223	174	0	135	27	12	7	21
Chancery	248	477	471	254	0	182	52	20	8	6
Probate	94	148	97	145	0	85	47	13	9	51
Total	**663**	**1117**	**1062**	**675**	**43**	**478**	**144**	**53**	**8**	**55**
19th Circuit										
Benton County										
Criminal	382	853	709	351	175	327	17	7	2	144
Civil	614	1151	982	783	0	616	126	41	5	169
Chancery	738	1815	1844	709	0	656	43	10	1	-29
Probate	453	359	400	412	0	242	114	56	14	-41
Total	**2187**	**4178**	**3935**	**2255**	**175**	**1841**	**300**	**114**	**5**	**243**
Carroll County										
Criminal	103	163	111	127	28	108	16	3	2	52
Civil	127	186	149	164	0	107	31	26	16	37
Chancery	147	385	341	191	0	148	29	14	7	44
Probate	92	101	101	92	0	57	17	18	20	0
Total	**469**	**835**	**702**	**574**	**28**	**420**	**93**	**61**	**11**	**133**
19th Circuit Total										
Criminal	485	1016	820	478	203	435	33	10	2	196
Civil	741	1337	1131	947	0	723	157	67	7	206
Chancery	885	2200	2185	900	0	804	72	24	3	15
Probate	545	460	501	504	0	299	131	74	15	-41
Total	**2656**	**5013**	**4637**	**2829**	**203**	**2261**	**393**	**175**	**6**	**376**
20th Circuit										
Faulkner County										
Criminal	176	387	377	180	6	150	23	7	4	10
Civil	646	852	869	629	0	457	148	24	4	-17
Chancery	639	887	932	594	0	410	134	50	8	-45
Probate	283	248	134	397	0	188	115	94	24	114
Total	**1744**	**2374**	**2312**	**1800**	**6**	**1205**	**420**	**175**	**10**	**62**
Searcy County										
Criminal	76	65	39	77	25	42	13	22	29	26
Civil	52	84	48	88	0	55	15	18	20	36
Chancery	81	112	63	130	0	74	23	33	25	49
Probate	59	45	16	88	0	36	16	36	41	29
Total	**268**	**306**	**166**	**383**	**25**	**207**	**67**	**109**	**28**	**140**

Table 15 — Continued

	Pending Start	Filed	Terminated	Pending End	B/W Outstanding	Less Than 1 Year	1 - 2 Years	Over 2 Years	% Over 2 Years	Pending Change
Van Buren County										
Criminal	88	223	128	180	3	137	39	4	2	95
Civil	105	127	59	173	0	103	41	29	17	68
Chancery	211	259	220	250	0	166	54	30	12	39
Probate	82	57	37	102	0	44	27	31	30	20
Total	**486**	**666**	**444**	**705**	**3**	**450**	**161**	**94**	**13**	**222**
20th Circuit Total										
Criminal	340	675	544	437	34	329	75	33	8	131
Civil	803	1063	976	890	0	615	204	71	8	87
Chancery	931	1258	1215	974	0	650	211	113	12	43
Probate	424	350	187	587	0	268	158	161	27	163
Total	**2498**	**3346**	**2922**	**2888**	**34**	**1862**	**648**	**378**	**13**	**424**
STATE TOTALS										
Criminal	23,005	31,989	30,186	17,821	6992	13,366	3215	1240	7	1803
Civil	22,988	35,747	33,856	24,879	0	16,627	4517	3735	15	1891
Chancery	22,195	41,826	41,772	22,249	0	16,200	3632	2417	11	54
Probate	11,411	11,137	7878	14,670	0	7061	4475	3134	21	3259
Total	**79,599**	**120,699**	**113,692**	**79,619**	**6992**	**53,254**	**15,839**	**10,526**	**13**	**7007**

*Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Trusteeship cases continue under the jurisdiction of the Probate Court over a period of years before a final order can be rendered. While they are considered active cases, it should be remembered and allowances made when using them in pending cases or age of cases studies or comparisons.

LIMITED JURISDICTION COURTS

TABLE 16 MUNICIPAL AND CITY COURT STATEWIDE STATISTICS

MUNICIPAL	Filed	Convicted*	Dismissed*	Appeals*	Fines/Costs Assessed	Fines/Costs Collected
Criminal	122,290	75,074	16,671	1,265	$ 6,867,683	$ 4,360,912
D.W.I.	17,851	13,065	977	1,594	6,573,988	3,115,779
Other Traffic	322,066	198,880	17,292	1,331	14,044,595	14,388,213
TOTAL	**462,207**	**287,019**	**34,940**	**4,190**	**27,486,266**	**21,864,904**
Civil	38,756	21,463-Terminated			440,505	336,814
Felonies	4,386	6,186-Bound Over				
CITY						
Criminal	3,807	2,266	571	54	257,295	190,554
D.W.I.	1,301	767	78	83	597,807	320,681
Other Traffic	15,649	8,346	1,098	71	797,491	829,357
TOTAL	**20,757**	**11,379**	**1,747**	**208**	**1,652,593**	**1,340,592**
Civil	90	50-Terminated			1,157	1,103
Felonies	0	0-Bound Over				
STATEWIDE TOTALS	**482,118**	**297,596**	**36,624**	**4,394**	**$29,100,690**	**$23,177,246**

*Due to the variety of dispositions in Limited Jurisdiction Courts, it is difficult to ascertain precise disposition figures.

Note: The following 13 municipalities have not reported: Clinton, Dermott, Eudora, Grady, Greenwood, Heber Springs, Lake Village, Marked Tree, Osceola, Van Buren, Warren, West Fork and White Hall.

A total of 20 municipalities reported for a partial year.

COUNTY COURTS

TABLE 17 Juvenile Delinquent Charges

Counts	Offense Name	Counts	Offense Name
4	Murder/Manslaughter	20	Robbery
362	Battery/Assault	3,445	Theft
165	Terroristic Threatening/Harassment	134	Forgery/Hot Check
2	Kidnapping	136	Resisting Arrest/Fleeing/Escape
18	Rape	270	Disorderly Conduct
52	Sexual Offenses	679	Public Intox/Minor in Possession/D.W.I.
21	Arson/Arson Related	77	Firearm Offense
1,053	Criminal Mischief/Trespass	225	Violation Uniform Controlled Substance
1,126	Burglary/Breaking or Entering	328	Other

STATEWIDE TOTAL COUNTS: 8,117 FELONIES: 2,239 MISDEMEANORS: 5,316 VIOLATIONS: 562

The following counties reported for a partial year: Crawford, Perry, and Searcy.

The following counties have not reported: Crittenden and Johnson.

TABLE 18 JUVENILE CASES

					Age of All Cases Pending				
	Pending 7/1/85	Cases Filed	Termi-nated	Pending 6/30/86	Less 1 Yr.	1 – 2 Yrs.	Over 2 Yrs.	% Over 2 Yrs.	Change In Cases Pending
Delinquent	733	5,646	5,803	576	154	83	339	58	-157
*JINS	152	1,878	1,911	119	32	22	65	54	- 33
Neglect	443	1,135	1,168	410	90	105	215	52	- 33
Probation Violation	37	212	209	40	10	8	22	55	- 3
Parole Violation	2	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	- 2
State Totals	**1,367**	**8,875**	**9,097**	**1,145**	**286**	**218**	**641**	**55**	**-222**

*Juveniles in need of supervision.

Note: It should be noted that there were 5,646 individual juveniles charged with criminal offenses. This reflects a total of 8,117 charges filed against these juveniles, as shown in Table 17.

BASTARDY CASES

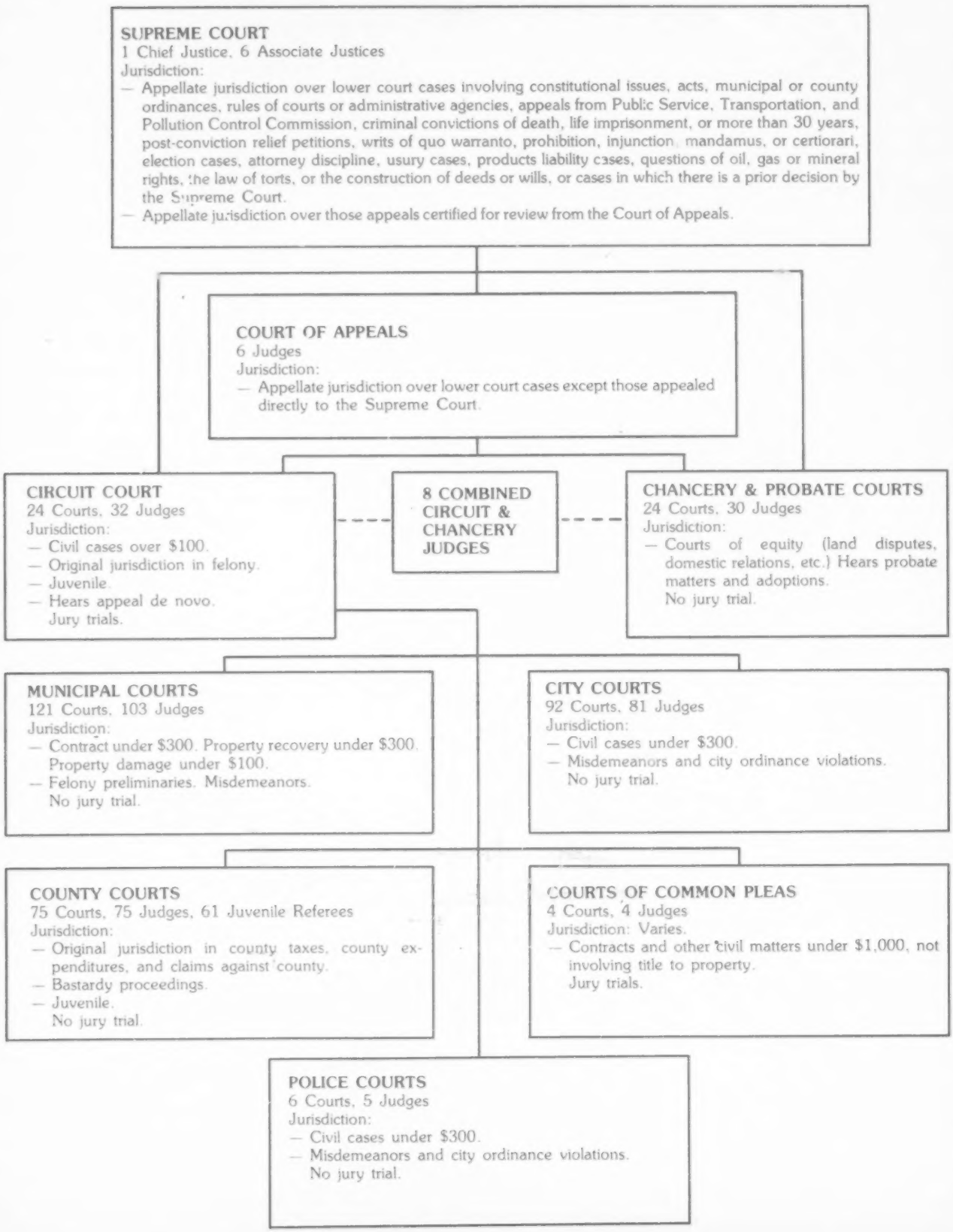
For the 1985/86 fiscal year, 3,698 bastardy cases were reported filed by county courts. The number of bastardy cases terminated totaled 2,293 for the same period.

TABLE 19 PUBLIC DEFENDER'S STATEWIDE STATISTICS

A.	**JUVENILE COURT**		
	Number of Defendants Represented		970
	Number and Nature of Offenses:		
	Felony	280	
	Misdemeanor	824	
	Number Relieved as Counsel	11	
	Total Offenses	1,115	
B.	**MUNICIPAL COURT**		
	Number of Defendants Represented		6,096
	Number and Nature of Offenses:		
	Felony	2,242	
	D.W.I.	668	
	Other Traffic	929	
	Misdemeanors	4,892	
	Total Offenses	8,731	
	Disposition of Defendants:		
	Felony: Probable Cause Not Found	1,127	
	Reduced by Court to Misdemeanor	141	
	Reduced to Misdemeanor - Pled Guilty	900	
	Relieved as Counsel	547	
	Misdemeanors:		
	Guilty or Nolo Pleas	1,918	
	Trials	729	
	Relieved as Counsel	118	
	Total Dispositions	5,480	
C.	**CIRCUIT COURT**		
	Number of Defendants Represented		3,913
	Number and Nature of Offenses:		
	Capital	6	
	Felony	5,528	
	Misdemeanors	296	
	Total Offenses	5,830	
D.	**RESPONDENTS REPRESENTED IN PROBATE COURT:**		
	Involuntary and Alcoholic Commitments		692
E.	**TOTAL DEFENDANTS REPRESENTED IN ALL COURTS**		11,751
F.	**NUMBER OF CASES APPEALED TO CIRCUIT COURT**	298	
G.	**NUMBER OF CASES APPEALED TO STATE SUPREME COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS**	100	
H.	**RULE 37 APPOINTMENTS**	1	

Note: 9-E District did not report.

ARKANSAS COURT SYSTEM


SUPREME COURT
1 Chief Justice, 6 Associate Justices
Jurisdiction:
— Appellate jurisdiction over lower court cases involving constitutional issues, acts, municipal or county ordinances, rules of courts or administrative agencies, appeals from Public Service, Transportation, and Pollution Control Commission, criminal convictions of death, life imprisonment, or more than 30 years, post-conviction relief petitions, writs of quo warranto, prohibition, injunction, mandamus, or certiorari, election cases, attorney discipline, usury cases, products liability cases, questions of oil, gas or mineral rights, the law of torts, or the construction of deeds or wills, or cases in which there is a prior decision by the Supreme Court.
— Appellate jurisdiction over those appeals certified for review from the Court of Appeals.
COURT OF APPEALS
6 Judges
Jurisdiction:
— Appellate jurisdiction over lower court cases except those appealed directly to the Supreme Court.
CIRCUIT COURT
24 Courts, 32 Judges
Jurisdiction:
— Civil cases over $100.
— Original jurisdiction in felony.
— Juvenile.
— Hears appeal de novo.
Jury trials.
8 COMBINED CIRCUIT & CHANCERY JUDGES
CHANCERY & PROBATE COURTS
24 Courts, 30 Judges
Jurisdiction:
— Courts of equity (land disputes, domestic relations, etc.) Hears probate matters and adoptions.
No jury trial.
MUNICIPAL COURTS
121 Courts, 103 Judges
Jurisdiction:
— Contract under $300. Property recovery under $300. Property damage under $100.
— Felony preliminaries. Misdemeanors.
No jury trial.
CITY COURTS
92 Courts, 81 Judges
Jurisdiction:
— Civil cases under $300.
— Misdemeanors and city ordinance violations.
No jury trial.
COUNTY COURTS
75 Courts, 75 Judges, 61 Juvenile Referees
Jurisdiction:
— Original jurisdiction in county taxes, county expenditures, and claims against county.
— Bastardy proceedings.
— Juvenile.
No jury trial.
COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS
4 Courts, 4 Judges
Jurisdiction: Varies.
— Contracts and other civil matters under $1,000, not involving title to property.
Jury trials.
POLICE COURTS
6 Courts, 5 Judges
Jurisdiction:
— Civil cases under $300.
— Misdemeanors and city ordinance violations.
No jury trial.